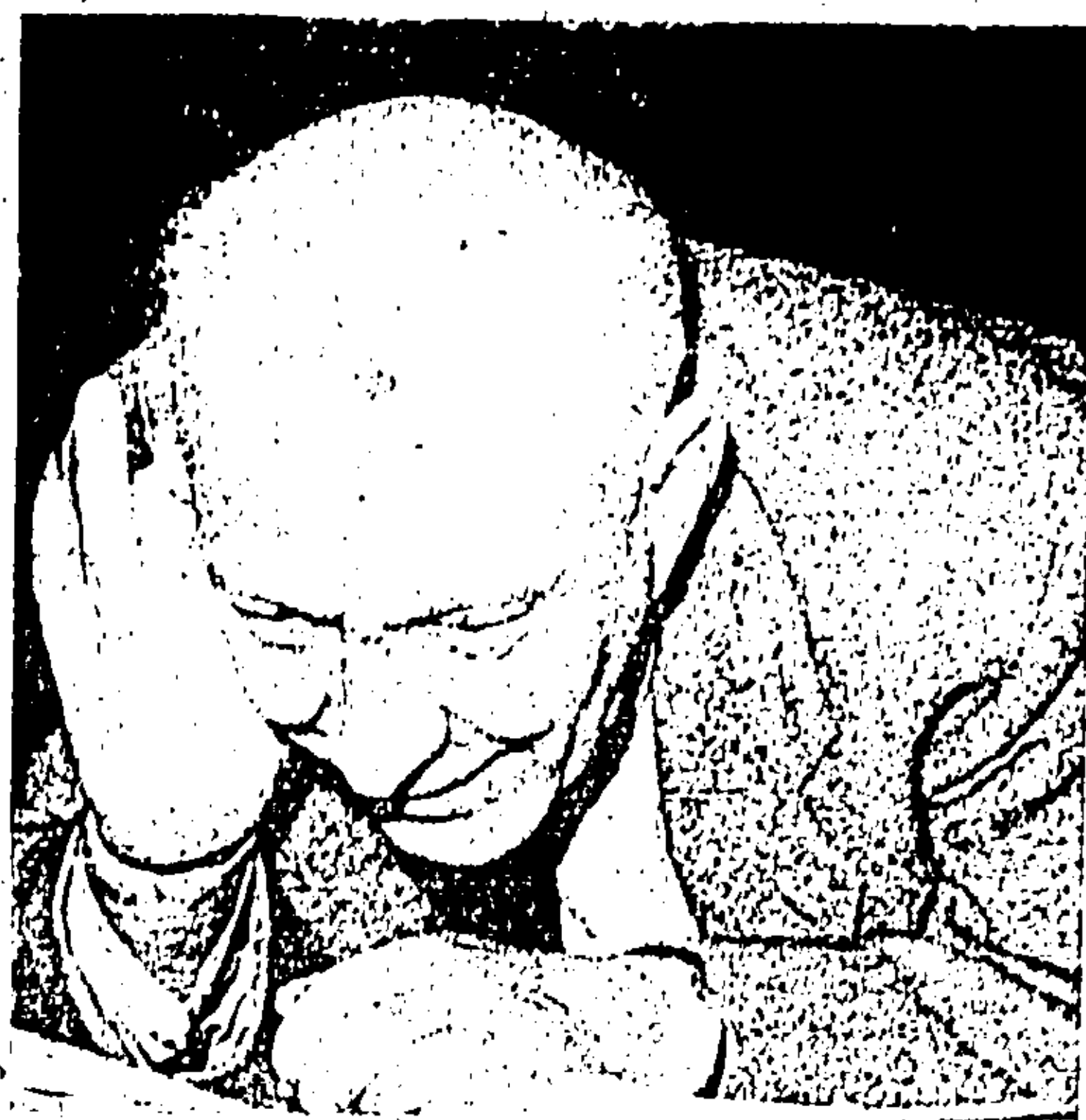


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**Doctor's  
Dilemma**



Dr. Hugh Dolan settles down to think how a Chancellor of the Exchequer should set out to meet the dollar crisis and the looming end of U.N.O.

**MOSLEM REFUGEES  
KILLED IN THOUSANDS**

Karachi, Sept. 26.  
Casualties in an attack near Amritsar on a Moslem refugee train three days ago are estimated at over 3,000 killed or missing and 1,000 wounded.

A Pakistan Government communique issued today said: "Details of the attack on the Amritsar train on September 22 show that the train was carrying 4,500 Moslem refugees from Alwar. There appears to have been about 1,000 wounded, which leaves over 3,000 killed and missing. "When the train was attacked, the British officer in command of the escort, which consisted of 10 Hindus and eight Moslems belonging to the Royal Indian Army, started organising the defence. He was at once killed by a burst from automatic weapons. "The Hindus in the escort are reported to have started fighting. All eight Moslems died fighting. "The attack, which lasted apparently uninterruptedly for two hours, was made by members of the Kasturji Swam Sangh (described as a militant Hindu youth organisation), as well as by Sikhs. "The survivors of the attack reached Lahore by road yesterday. They told reporters that Sikh troops took part in the attack. These survivors said that they were saved through being hidden under the bodies of the dead and dying fellow passengers. "They said that the train, which left Delhi on Sunday, was first attacked at Beas, about 30 miles east of Amritsar. This attack was beaten off. "Later, a train carrying Sikh troops passed the refugee train. When the latter had reached Amritsar and pulled a short distance beyond the platform, the survivors said, Sikh troops opened fire on the train from both sides of the track. "They added that the escorting troops only fired over the heads of the attackers, but the British officer commanding the escort, fired a machinegun until he was shot. "A Moslem sergeant of the escort was also reported to have been killed and four other ranks wounded. "The survivors said that the attack began at 6.00 p.m. and went on for three hours. "The train was then shunted back to the platform. "A Lahore message says several thousand Moslems attacked a Sikh-Hindu refugee train at Kamoke, about 25 miles west of Lahore, about noon yesterday, killing 340 Sikhs and Hindus and wounding 250. "The West Punjab Government announced today. — Reuter.

**The Survivors**

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**French Political  
Prisoners Escape**

Paris, Sept. 26.  
Three thousand French police and security squads, armed with machine guns, today blocked all main roads leading to the Pyrenees in a search for 61 French political prisoners who broke out last night from a camp at Carrière, near Agen in Southern France.

Seventy-three prisoners actually broke out, all of them sentenced as Nazi collaborators and believed to be heading for Spain, but 12 had been recaptured by noon today. "A Ministry of the Interior statement said that the break followed the plunging of the camp into darkness through a 'short circuit'. "Eight guards at the gate were overpowered but reinforcements arrived in the camp just in time to prevent the escape of a further group of about 400 prisoners, the statement said. "Many of the prisoners had cars which had been left near the camp soon after nightfall in what appeared to be a well laid plan between the prisoners and their helpers outside. — Reuter.

**The Weather**

An anticyclone centred over Korea, and an associated ridge of high pressure extending SW along the China Coast, are both moving E and declining. A shallow trough extends from Yunnan to the central Yangtze Valley and is passing E along the coast of Japan.

Today's Forecast: Moderate E winds. Partly cloudy. Tomorrow's Weather: Partly cloudy. Rain. Wind: 10 to 15 m.p.h. Humidity: 85 to 90 per cent. Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1: 2,880.5 mm. 100.0 in. as against an average of 192.0 mm. — 7.5 in. for the year.

**U.N.O.'S FATE SAID TO  
BE IN BALANCE**  
Palestine And Greece  
Are Big Issues

Lake Success, Sept. 26.  
Most United Nations observers are agreed today that an early end of the United Nations Organisation looms if the General Assembly fails to meet the challenge of the East-West struggle over Greece and finds a formula for the Palestine issue.

As the Assembly committee plunged into the two crucial problems today, United States spokesmen made it clear that the United States is staking all its hopes for the UN's future on the Assembly's ability to support the anti-Communist Truman Doctrine in Greece and work for a possible solution to the Arab-Jew impasse in the Holy Land. "The Assembly's schedule today promised further developments on both issues. "High points included: (1) Britain's long-awaited formal statement on the Special Commission's report on Palestine recommending partition between Arabs and Jews. The British are expected to avoid a clear-cut 'yes' or 'no' answer. (2) M. Vishinsky will hold a press conference to issue a formal statement and answer questions. It will be the first he has held since the closing days of the Foreign Ministers Council in Moscow. (3) Yugoslavia will reply to the United States charges that she, Albania and Bulgaria are guilty of aggression against Greece and to the United States proposal to send a special permanent Assembly commission to watch Greece's northern borders.

**Evatt's Role**

Australia's Minister for External Affairs, (Dr. Evatt), on Thursday was elected chairman of the Extraordinary United Nations Assembly Committee on Palestine. "Evatt suggested inviting representatives of the Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Arab High Committee for Palestine to participate in discussions of the Committee on the same terms which were adopted without opposition. "Evatt then called for a statement from the United Kingdom, as the country which ruled Palestine under a League of Nations mandate. "The British indicated they would be prepared to 'speak on Friday (today). "Colonial Secretary Creech-Jones was expected to deliver Britain's main policy declaration. "The Jewish Agency was reported to be seeking a private conference with Secretary of State Marshall before the Assembly settled down to a full dress review of the Palestine problem. "Official spokesmen for the American delegation refused to confirm or deny that such a meeting with Marshall was contemplated. "Marshall met Arab representatives earlier in the week in a session which was kept secret until disclosed by the Arab themselves. "The policy of strict secrecy has developed widespread speculation among the Assembly delegations over the likelihood that the United States had not developed a hard and fast stand on this partition recommendations. "Truman Moves "Meanwhile, President Truman is organising a special administration group composed of the Labour, Commerce and Agriculture Departments, aided by the new Citizens' Food Committee to help carry out his request that the nation waste less food so hungry European nations may be helped. — United Press.

**ATTLEE VICTIM OF  
"BOMB HOAX"**

London, Sept. 26.  
Scotland Yard disclosed today that Prime Minister Attlee was the victim of a bomb hoax yesterday. "The Yard announcement said a brown paper parcel addressed 'C. Attlee, Esquire, No. 10, Downing Street, S.W.1' was delivered to the Prime Minister's official residence. "Opened by his staff it was found to contain a battery connected by wire with a fountain pen cap. "Police explosive experts were called. They found that the cap was empty and the battery harmless. — United Press.

**"THE SADIST" GETS  
ELEVEN YEARS**

Yokohama, Sept. 26.  
Yoshiaki Kariya, civilian POW guard, nicknamed 'The Sadist', was sentenced to 11 years hard labour today for beating and abusing Allied prisoners at Hakodate POW Branch Camp No. 1 at Muroran. "Among the Americans maltreated were J. Kennan and F. O. Matthiae. — United Press.

**U.K. Conservatives  
Hit Back Hard  
At Brighton Talks**

London, Sept. 26.  
The National Executive of the Conservative Party today announced a resolution to be presented to the Party's convention at Brighton next week which is tantamount to demanding a general election in Britain. "The resolution, to be moved on the present Government of their failure to prepare for or to meet the economic crisis. By their improvident handling of our national resources and by their insistence on pursuit of partisan ends they have destroyed the unity of our national life in these difficult times. "This conference, therefore, consider that a complete change of method of approach is the first condition for national recovery. "This can only be achieved by a new Parliament. "It further pledges itself to promote a national and practical policy without regard to special interests which will unite the forces on which the survival of Britain depends and the use of our resources in the task of industrial and agricultural production and moral revival. "This conference reaffirms the long-held faith of the Party that our future can only stand on the unity of nations of the British Commonwealth and Empire. — United Press.

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**MILAN MEETS ITS  
WORST HURRICANE**

Milan, Sept. 26.  
Milan's worst hurricane in two years subsided today after 15 hours of violent rains and 65 m.p.h. winds, leaving destruction estimated at tens of millions of lire. "Only one casualty was reported—a man hurt by falling debris. "Widespread flood and wind damage drew over 500 emergency calls to the Milan fire department during the night but the city awoke this morning with thousands of its houses and buildings flooded. "The United Press correspondent worked with his feet in 30 inches of water. — United Press.

**Palestine  
Position**



Here is some of the background on Palestine. (Above) Barbed wire divides 'free' Jerusalem from quarters under martial law. (Below) The wife of a Polish officer is imploring the police to find her daughter who was killed when the Goldsmith Club was blown up on the Jewish Sabbath.

**Jew Terrorists Hold Up  
Barclay's Bank**  
FOUR POLICEMEN  
KILLED IN GUN DUEL

Jerusalem, Sept. 26.  
Four British policemen were killed today when an armed gang, tentatively identified as members of the Stern Gang, held up the British Barclay's Bank in Tel-Aviv and escaped with \$250,000.

The police later recovered \$100,000 in money near Ramla, Theatre around the corner of the bank. "Two suspects were seized by the police within a few hours of the hold-up. "A third — a 27-year-old Jew who was taken wounded to hospital — was placed under custody on suspicion. "Police and army squads patrolled Tel-Aviv's streets, checking up on pedestrians and automobile traffic. "The robbery is one of the largest in Palestine's history.

**Cache**

Meanwhile, in Haifa, one of the largest arms caches ever discovered in a Palestine city was blown up in Hamdan el Pasha Street near the Moslem mosque. "The ammunition was in a building, apparently also an arms factory, and was believed to have belonged to Arab underground forces. "The police refused any statement on the explosion during investigation. "The Barclay's Bank robbery, which was reported to have involved the Palestine police payroll, occurred in daylight early this morning. "A police armoured car pulled out of Allenby Street's teeming traffic and parked before the bank to remove the money. "Three policemen manned the vehicle, one of them remaining in the armoured car's turret, training a machine-gun at the bank's door. "The two other policemen went into the bank for the money. "A Jewish clerk, escorted by the two policemen, came from the bank lugging a heavy money sack which he lowered carefully into the armoured car. "The policeman manning the machine-gun remained in the turret when his companions returned with the clerk for more money. "They returned with another sack which the clerk lowered over his shoulder. "Arabs "Meanwhile, the Palestine Arab Higher Committee today called upon the Holy Land's 2,000,000 Arabs to join in a mass demonstration on October 3 in protest against the United Nations committee recommendations for the establishment of a Jewish state. "Under the decision taken at the present, the Arab League is seeking to organise a one-day strike on that date throughout the Moslem world. "Emile Ghoury, a member of the committee, said today that the Palestine demonstrations will be the greatest since the bloody 1939 Arab revolution. "This time the Arabs really mean business," he said. "A United Press Cairo dispatch called upon to 'demonstrate their support for their Palestine brethren' on October 3 in 'whatever form available — strikes, meetings, manifestations and protests to the United Nations and to the embassies of foreign powers.' "Ghoury said the Arabs did not contemplate a future appeal to the International Court of Justice. "If the General Assembly does not solve our problem we are not going to any more tribunals," he said. "The Arabs will achieve independence themselves."

**Attack**  
He attacked the British agent Brigadier Clayton, attaché at the British Embassy, who has turned up as an 'adviser' at all major Arab League meetings during the past two years. "He seeks to put Arab unity in line with the British policy," Ghoury said. — United Press.

**Shanghai Dancers  
Stage A Blitz**

Shanghai, Sept. 26.  
The city's army of dancing girls today opened a double-barrelled drive against the proposed dance ban by appealing to Madame Chiang Kai-shek, who is at present visiting Shanghai. "The offered huge donations to the City Council for disposal as the Council sees fit. "Four dancing hostesses this morning called on Madame Chiang, seeking to solicit the First Lady's support of their cause, but were told the President's wife was busy but will arrange another appointment. "Meanwhile, the city cabaret operators and employees guild adopted a resolution that each cabaret should by turn contribute 2 days' net profit to the City Council. "Dancing hostesses will contribute an entire day's receipt, waiters their tips, the musicians their salaries and the management all profits from drinks and food. "It was estimated that the net earnings of a larger cabaret would amount to more than CN42,000,000,000.

**Excited Barbers**  
Hankow, despatches say two policemen were injured and more than 20 barbers arrested in a serious clash between hundreds of barbers and police at two theatres when the Chinese movie, 'Phony Phoenix', opened here today. "It is the same movie which caused a demonstration by Shanghai barbers two months ago but finally reached the screen following minor alterations and addition of a police in which is a lengthy article praising the 'sacredness of labour'. "When Hankow theatres presented the picture for the first time, hundreds of barbers demanded a ban—without first seeing the picture. "The police intervened and a clash ensued. "Despatches suggested Government officials that the national elections would be postponed until the situation was calmer.

**Wrecked Jap  
Sub Off  
Long Beach**  
Long Beach, Calif., Sept. 26.  
The Navy discovered on Thursday what it said may be the sunken wreck of a Japanese submarine about 400 yards off the Long Beach coast. "Navy crews employing grappling hooks contacted a large submerged object and a spokesman said that divers will be brought here to build it. "The discovery was reported to Naval officials by Herman M. Dillinger, Long Beach photographer, who sighted the object while travelling in a small boat to Newport Beach. "Dillinger said that he could see it plainly in the clear water and that he is convinced that it is a submarine. — Associated Press.

**The King Was  
Not Amused**  
Belfast, Sept. 26.  
A letter from an Irish extremist, David Fleming, to King George VI, telling him to 'get out of Ireland and stay out', was in court here today as 'Fleming was arraigned on the charge of having three rounds of ammunition in his possession. "Fleming, an IRA leader, who previously was released from jail after a record-breaking hunger strike, was sent for trial on October 3. "He was captured from the courtroom during the trial. "Fleming refused to be turned into a British subject, I shall resist to the death of my existence. — United Press.

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## Urban Council Moves To Purge Chinese Cafes

The Chinese Restaurants and Eating House Merchants Association has been informed by the Urban Council that the reason for the imposition of certain additional requirements upon licensees is the outcome of the Urban Council's policy to improve the hygienic standard.

It will be recalled that Gov. the Association has circulated its members requesting those concerned to write to the Urban Council stating their case.

### Copy

The following is a copy of the reply received by the Association from the Secretary of the Urban Council:

"I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 4th inst. and in reply to inform you that it is the Council's policy to improve the hygienic standard of restaurants and eating houses, and it is for this reason that certain additional requirements have been imposed upon licensees at this renewal period.

"If any licensee should feel that particular hardship is caused in any specific instance, he is advised to write to the Council and state his case and the matter will then receive due consideration.

"As requested, I enclose herewith a copy of the present by-laws in English and Chinese. A copy of this document is supplied to every licensee at the time of issue of license. I am to inform you, however, that new by-laws are now in draft stage and that a copy will be sent to you as soon as they are finally approved.

In compliance with the suggestion contained in the second paragraph of the above letter,

## Money Market

Gold again took a spurt yesterday, rising to \$361. A fall after opening at \$361. At the close of the market on Thursday it was only \$355.75. However in the afternoon the rate gradually slid back to \$360.25. Plaster opened at \$12.65 a 100 and closed at \$12.10. Rates fluctuated between \$12.30 and \$12.70.

Chinese National Currency were quoted at 11.45 cts. for futures and 11.65 cts. for spot (for CN\$1,000).

U.S. dollars had buyers at \$5.18 and sellers at \$5.61. Sterling improved to \$12.60 after the previous day's drop.

Australian pounds were unchanged at \$12.50.

## NEW LICENCE FOR IMPORTERS

Importers are requested to note that a new General Licence, No. 1, has been issued. The licence is worded somewhat differently from the first issue in G.N. 100 in order to remove an ambiguity to which the former might have given rise.

A licence has been added as a condition of import from which will not generally require a special licence except with regard to the specific commodities mentioned in the Schedule, part 1, column B.

## The God Of Fortune Sneered

Shanghai, Sept. 26. A rickshaw puller, Liu Kuo-chi, thought that the God of Fortune smiled on him yesterday when he saw a glittering ring lying in Love Lane, but Liu has never seen real gold.

He plopped the ring into his mouth for safekeeping when he was hailed by a customer.

Liu uttered not a word but pointed to the ring in his mouth.

Swallowing a ring is an ancient Chinese custom to commit suicide. So the customer called the police.

Liu refused the police order to give up the ring, so an officer blew sneezing powder into Liu's face.

Out popped the ring. The officers looked at it and laughed. It was only cheap alloy.

Liu was kept in jail for one day for picking up a lost article.—United Press.

## Personalia

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel include Mr. and Mrs. K.T. Wong, G.L. Renstron Jr. and L.H. Mok.

Peninsula departures include Mrs. Deane Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. E. Rubin, Major A.W. Knuss and R.G. Gentry.

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. Jan Vander Velde of the Chinese Maritime Customs, Marina House, to Miss Ralza Popoff, 7 Havelock Terrace, Kowloon Docks, has been announced.

Of special interest to radio listeners this week-end will be a studio talk broadcast from ZBW by the Venerable Lokanatha on his "World's Peace Message to the United Nations." This will be followed by another talk next Wednesday evening on "The finest path—How I became a Buddhist."

In the ZBW "Proms" concert tomorrow night, the feature will be Prokofiev's new Cantata, "Alexander Nevsky." Eugene Normandy will be conducting the Philadelphia Orchestra, with the choral part sung by well-known soloists and the Westminster Choir.

On Monday, from 1.30 p.m. to 2 p.m., the current CSE show artists will present a programme, while in honour of the "Moon Festival" a special programme will be given at 9.30 p.m. on the piano by Harry Ore. He will include two of his compositions, based on Cantonese tunes.

The Air Officer Commanding, Air Commodore F. N. Webster, C.B.E., A.F.C., returned by air yesterday afternoon from Singapore, where he had been for a brief visit.

An informal tea party was given by the English speaking group of the Y.W.C.A. yesterday afternoon. An address was given by Mrs. K. Kwok who outlined the group's activities. Entertainment was provided by the student department of the Y.W.C.A. who gave Chinese songs and dances.

## H.K.P.R. Orders

Hong Kong Police Reserve Orders No. 28 of 1947.

Best Duties Members of Nos. 1 and 2 Companies will parade for Best Duties as detailed by their Company Commanders, Dress Summer Uniform.

Drill Parades: Members of No. 3 Company will report at the Murray Parade Ground every Tuesday and Friday at 1830 hours sharp (weather permitting) for instructions on Drill Parades. Members of No. 1 Company, No. 2 Platoon will parade on Friday and No. 2 Platoon on Tuesday and No. 2 Platoon on Friday as ordered above.

Band Practices: The Band Practice ordered for this Sunday, Sept. 28, 1947 has been cancelled. The usual Band Practice will be held on Sunday, Oct. 5, 1947 at 11.00 hours sharp, under Mr. W. P. Arps (Bandmaster).

Addresses: Several new members of No. 8 Company cannot be located at the addresses given on their application forms. Members of No. 8 Company are hereby notified that if they remain unlocated after the above mentioned date, they will have their names put up for dismissal and struck off the Force.

Identification Cards: There are still many Identification cards which have not yet been claimed by their respective holders. Members of No. 1 and 2 Companies who have not yet claimed their identification cards are hereby ordered to do so at once. They should apply to Mr. T. W. Chong at Headquarters, together with the temporary card issued in their stead. If they fail to do so, their names will be put up for dismissal and struck off the Force.

## Radio Fade-Outs Hit Air Service

Manila, Sept. 26. Intermittent but prolonged fade-outs over a period of 13 hours starting at 2 a.m. on Thursday cut Manila off from radio communication with North America.

The condition was attributed to sunspots in the atmosphere and the surface of the earth.

The Philippines was at the peak of a sunspot cycle. During the present period frequent and severe disruption of radio as well as telegraphic communications is to be expected. (A similar condition prevailed in Hong Kong, but by noon on Friday it had cleared sufficiently to allow the resumption of news reception.)—United Press.

## JAP COLONEL CHARGED WITH "NOTORIOUS TORTURE"

When Colonel Kanazawa Asao, of the ex-Japanese Imperial Army, faced No. 7 War Crimes Tribunal yesterday for two alleged war crimes, Prosecutor Major Lai declared that evidence would be produced of the notorious tortures, of every conceivable description, designed to make a suspect talk and confess.

Colonel Kanazawa, once unfettered by any scruples, chief of the Kempeitai in Hong Kong, is charged with having been concerned in the ill-treatment of prisoners, causing death to some and physical suffering to others.

He also faces a charge of having been concerned in the ill-treatment of civilian residents, resulting in the deaths of many and in physical suffering many others including deportation from Hong Kong.

Major Lai said the accused succeeded Colonel Noma as chief of the Kempeitai in Hong Kong on Feb. 10, 1945, and held the appointment until Japan's surrender.

Accused also assumed the post of Police Chief from March 1, 1945. By virtue of his post, he was unquestionably responsible for public order, control of the Kempeitai organization, and proper management of stations and sub-stations where people were incarcerated.

Major Lai charged that accused occasioned ill-treatment with which he is charged. Public order, added the Prosecutor, was nothing short of a reign of terror under which Kempeitai personnel, who were under the command of accused, were unrestrained and

## Letters From Readers

T.B. Campaign

Sir,—The letter from Mr. S. N. Chau on the Anti-T.B. Campaign, is a typical example of the Hong Kong mind. It is very obvious that the unfortunate T.B. sufferers have to wait whilst these petty points are discussed at nauseam.

As far as the public are concerned—and it is the public who are asked to pay the piper—they have no interest at all in these professional questions. They know Dr. Wu has for long taken a practical interest in this T.B. question: they know Dr. Selwyn Clark fought hard to get the Anti-T.B. fight going, against obstruction inside and outside his Department, and against official indifference: now they hear of something practical being done and their feelings are "a plague on all these petty personal squabbles: get down to it and do something."

As regards Dr. Chau's criticism of your excellent article, this should not cause any lack of sleep to your staff of writers. If Dr. Chau has all these facts off so pat, why has he, as Chairman of the H.K. Anti-T.B. Association, never burst into print before, to give the public some facts? Why must he wait for somebody else to write up the campaign, run by the Association, of which he is Chairman, before jumping into print? Incidentally, to a layman, it seems pretty rash to refuse the figure of 10,000 as being the annual death toll from T.B. by quoting the "reported" figure for the first 7 months of 1947. Even so, know these reported figures of death bear small relationship to actual figures.

SEA JAY.

Sir,—I read with amusement a letter signed by S. N. Chau, Chairman, Hong Kong Anti-T.B. Association. To me, as a member of the public, and an old Hong Kong resident, I was shocked to read that the H.K. Anti-T.B. Association had not yet started its campaign.

## British Coal Strike Spreads

London, Sept. 25. The strike of the Scottish coal miners, who left their jobs last Tuesday in Britain's second big coal stoppage this month, spread through Lanarkshire and Stirlingshire today until more than 13,000 men were idle at 43 pits.

The hopes of the powerful Mineworkers' Union that the men would resume work this week faded as the miners at the trouble centre of Blantyre, Lanarkshire, who struck in protest against an unsatisfactory wage adjustment, and then decided yesterday to resume work immediately, failed to go down into the pits this morning.

Six pits, idle since Tuesday, resumed work in the belief that the Blantyre men had called off their strike, but the others stopped work.

The Cabinet met meanwhile today to try to find a workable solution to the dispute between the Government, the Mineworkers' Union and the National Coal Board on the method of introducing overtime into the mines to get the vital coal needed for Britain's economic recovery.

The Cabinet, faced with the realization that extra coal production is an imperative part of the latest plans to meet the crisis and that it would have a major significance if the Marshall plan—which calls for the export of coal from Britain to Europe—came into operation, was expected to stick to its view that the best plan was to add half an hour daily and retain the five-day week.—Reuter.

## Wedding White - Cheung

An RAF engineer who participated in one of the longest bombing raids of World War II was married to a Chinese girl at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday.

The bridegroom was RAF Engineer Clifford Clarence White, son of Major G. Foster of the Indian Army, and Mrs. Foster, and the bride was Miss Jessie Cheung, of Hong Kong.

The ceremony was witnessed by Messrs. K. F. Hope and T. V. Connolly. A reception was held at Cafe Wiseman after the marriage ceremony.

Engineer White has flown about 2,000 miles and is survivor of an air crash in the Atlantic in 1941. He was in one of the three RAF bombers which flew for 20 hours at a stretch to bomb Japanese-occupied Sumatra in December 1942.

## CATHEDRAL FUND

The following is a list of donations to St. John's Cathedral Cathedral Fund up to Sept. 25 which have not yet been acknowledged in the press:—Miss J.W. Buckwell \$55.80, O. Skinner \$100, E.C.C. Johnson \$50, L.E. Barts \$100, Kong Chuen On \$10, Chai Yuen Lam \$20, Cha Yee Chuen \$10, Geo C.S. Wong \$10, Dr. Ernest T. \$100, Miss Margaret To \$5, Mr. & Mrs. V.A. Shea \$100, G.E. Morden \$1,000, Mrs. M.E. White \$50, "In Memoriam—J.O.H." \$500, Restoration Box \$7.00=\$3,127.00; Received to Sept. 18 and already acknowledged \$128,865.02; Total to Sept. 25 \$130,970.02.

## "IRONSIDE" LEAVES H.K.

General Chang, of Kwai, Director of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's Headquarters in Canton, returned to Canton by air yesterday noon. He and Madame Chang were seen off at Queen's Pier by His Excellency the Governor, and Lady Grantham, and a large official party, some of whom accompanied the General over to Kai Tak Airport.

A guard of honour drawn from the 1st Bn. Immortal Fusiliers was at Queen's Pier.

## CONSTABLE SAID TO SHOOT CHINESE

It was alleged by a reliable source last night that a Chinese constable, attached to the Kowloon City Police Station, had shot an unknown Chinese.

The shooting took place in the vicinity of Yee Yee Road and Waterloo Road at about 11.40 p.m.

The man, about 37, was reported to have been shot at from the back by the constable, who was then detained for further investigation.

## Kowloon Dairy On Price Control Breaches

Committal proceedings were concluded before Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Central yesterday when the Kowloon Dairy Ltd. and Henry Ahwee were summoned by the Price Control Department of S. T. & I. for breaches of price control regulations by selling butter, tinned milk and fruits to the Waterways Transport (CNRR) above the ceiling price.

Henry Ahwee was discharged while the Kowloon Dairy Ltd. was committed to stand trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

Recalled to testify, Inspector Goodwin of the Waterways Transport (CNRR) identified certain books but said he could not find any entry to show dealings with CNRR Waterways.

Mr. F. I. Zimmerman for the Kowloon Dairy Limited asked Inspector Goodwin if he made the complaint to the S.T. & I. regarding excessive charges.

Inspector Goodwin—Yes.

He went on to say that he was investigator for U.N.R.R.A. He could not agree with counsel that he had complete knowledge of all these transactions.

The second summons was taken from the same bill. This showed 25 pounds of butter at \$9.50, an overcharge of \$182.50, the control price being \$2.20 per pound.

The third summons was on a bill dated Jan. 28 this year and showed 60 lbs of fresh butter sold at \$9.50 per lb., an overcharge of \$438.

Another item showed 80 tins of evaporated milk sold at \$1.50 per tin, an overcharge of \$80, making the total overcharge on the third summons \$501.

The fourth summons was based on a bill dated Dec. 5 last year, showing 100 tins of evaporated milk sold at \$1.50 per tin, an overcharge of \$70.

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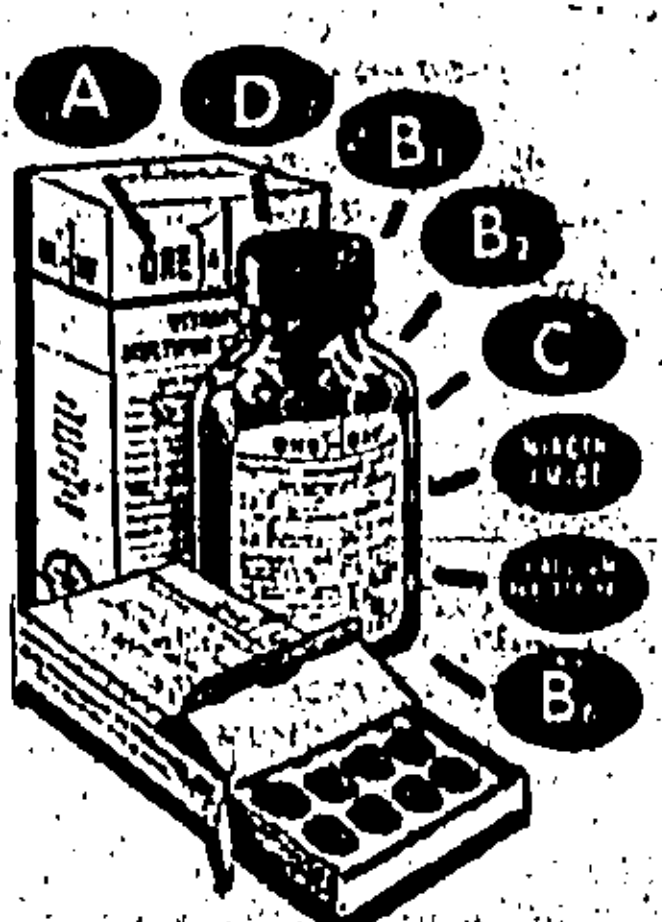


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## BAIL APPEAL DISMISSED BY MAGISTRATE

An application made in Chambers by Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios on behalf of Man Kam-fat, under Section 15 of the Criminal Procedure Ordinance, 1899, consequent upon the refusal of a Magistrate to grant bail to Man while on remand, was dismissed yesterday by Mr. Justice T. J. Gould (Additional Judge).

In the course of a lengthy written judgment setting forth the reasons for his decision, Mr. Justice Gould held that a Magistrate was fully entitled, in exercising his discretion as to bail, to have regard to obvious differences in conditions between Britain and Hong Kong.

Man Kam-fat is charged with conspiring, between Sept. 1, 1946, and Sept. 1, 1947, to obtain bribes from several stallholders at the Shamshuipo Market.

When Man appeared before Mr. Blair Kerr at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court on Sept. 17, Mr. Remedios made strong representations that bail should be granted to Man, but the application was rejected.

Mr. Remedios thereupon asked for a decision in writing, as he would be applying to the Supreme Court for bail for his client.

**Judgment**  
Delivering judgment in the open Court yesterday, Mr. Justice Gould said in part:

"The accused was charged upon two charges of common law conspiracy to obtain bribes from licensed stall holders and one charge of procuring bribes contrary to section 4 of the Miscellaneous Offences Ordinance, 1899.

"A remand being necessary, the solicitor for the accused applied for bail which was objected to by the prosecuting police officer on the ground that it would seriously prejudice the investigation of the case. He referred to recent cases of intimidation of witnesses and consequent failure of justice and indicated he had strong reason to believe that a similar state of affairs might ensue in this case; his objection would be withdrawn after a week.

"The Magistrate refused bail indicating that it could be discussed again the following week. The basis upon which he exercised his discretion appears from the following extract from the reasons for his refusal which he gave in writing:

"The seriousness of the charges alone might well justify

## Kowloon Dairy On Price Control Breaches

(Continued from Page 2)  
Another item on this bill showed 50 lbs of fresh butter sold at \$9.50 per lb. an overcharge of \$365, making a total overcharge of \$435.

The fifth and last summons was based on a bill dated March 6 this year showing 25 lbs of fresh butter sold at \$9.50 per lb. an overcharge of \$182.50.

Another item on the same bill was for 50 lbs of apples sold at \$2.50 per lb. an overcharge of \$50, making a total overcharge of \$270.

**Instructions**  
Questioned by Mr. Zimmern, he said the summons were taken out on the instructions of Crown Counsel.

Mr. Zimmern said that Henry Ahwee was the secretary of the Kowloon Dairy Limited, an incorporated company, and in the position as secretary, could not be held responsible for any transactions effected by the company.

Continuing, Mr. Zimmern said that he had never heard of a limited company being committed for trial and held that the case should have been dealt with summarily.

The charges against the Kowloon Dairy and Ahwee were identical and, in view of the lack of evidence, he requested His Worship to give a ruling.

Mr. d'Almada held that the Kowloon Dairy Limited was summoned and Ahwee, being an employee of the company, could be held liable for transactions of the company. Under the circumstances he must discharge him.

Mr. d'Almada ruled that a limited company was liable to be committed for trial and as this was the prosecution's request he had no option but to commit the Kowloon Dairy Limited to stand trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

Inspector Cochrane prosecuted for S.T. & I.

## What Happened In The Courts

### Three Times In Only Six Months

Although he had only been in the Colony for about six months, a 15-year-old Chinese youth made his third appearance before a Kowloon Magistrate yesterday charged with larceny.

The prosecuting officer, Sub-Inspector J. S. Howarth, told Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr that defendant was ordered to receive 10 strokes of the cane on Sept. 1 when he admitted a larceny charge. He was expelled from the Colony but returned a week later when he was again given 10 strokes and re-expelled.

His Worship sentenced defendant to three months' simple imprisonment, 12 strokes of the cane, and recommendation for banishment.

The charges against accused yesterday were larceny of a pair of shorts and a shirt from a clothes-hawker's stall in Cheung Sha Wan Road on Sept. 25, and breach of an expulsion order dated Sept. 8.

Accused was seen by Detective 99 to take the articles from the stall at 11 a.m. on Thursday.

**STOLE PIPING**  
Arrested at the instance of Mr. E. S. Cunningham of the Legal Department, Li Sung, a life banished, was sentenced to a total of one year's hard labour for the theft of a piece of drainage pipe and for re-entrance from banishment.

Inspector J. Orem informed Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday that accused was seen by Mr. Cunningham breaking off the pipe from the rear of 246 Nathan Road, ground floor, at 7 a.m. on Sept. 24.

Mr. Cunningham came down from his residence at 9 Jordan Road, first floor, and intercepted defendant who broke away and made threatening gestures at his captor.

**PRETENCES**  
Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday fixed Oct. 8 for hearing of the charge of obtaining two cabin trunks by false pretences preferred against William Thomas Dobson, 22, airway employee, by Detective Sub-Inspector W. J. Wall.

It was alleged that Dobson obtained the two trunks from Tang Chi-man of the Nathan Ratan Furniture Shop, 23 Nathan Road, on Sept. 9 by representing that he had an account with the Merchantile Bank of India, Ltd., under the name of L. A. West.

**PROCURESS**  
Chan Kwai-chun, 54-year-old widow, was fined \$250 and recommended to be evicted when she pleaded guilty before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday to keeping a brothel at 444 Nathan Road, first floor.

Inspector J. Orem stated that the premises were raided by Inspector T. Collins at 1.40 a.m. yesterday (Friday). Two Chinese prostitutes were found in two cubicles with two Europeans. Defendant occupied a bed-space, while the verandah was rented by a Chinese doctor and his family. The place was a well-set up and patronised by Europeans.

showing to have interfered with witnesses in a previous case and that the deponent has information that accused is a member and a brother of the head of the Society. Such membership is in itself illegal by virtue of the provisions of Ord. No. 8 of 1929. In my opinion, this is sufficient in the circumstances of the case.

"For the foregoing reasons I took the view that the learned Magistrate was entitled to exercise his discretion as he did and I refused the application accordingly."

**"A View"**  
"I take the view that a Magistrate is fully entitled in exercising his discretion as to bail, to have regard to obvious differences in conditions between Great Britain and Hong Kong. The probability of interference with witnesses is greatly heightened in a Colony where the average Chinese witness is notoriously reluctant to come forward even in ordinary circumstances, and is thereby more easily induced by threats or reward to remain silent or falsify his evidence.

"I am of the opinion that it would be shutting one's eyes to practical possibilities and doing a disservice to the administration of justice to hold that in every case where allegations of this sort are relied upon, a Magistrate must admit to bail forthwith unless the police come prepared with sworn evidence.

"It may be that after a reasonable time a Magistrate would require something more substantial if opposition to bail were to be continued, but at the outset of the enquiry he is fully entitled to refuse bail as an interim order upon the assurance of a responsible police officer where the nature of the case tells him that the allegations are likely to be correct.

**"Allegation"**  
"As to the affidavit now before the Court, it alleges as a fact that the Triad Society named has been

### Body Was Floating In The Harbour

The body of an unknown Chinese male found floating off the Wireless Station beach at Stonecutters on July 13 formed the subject of an inquest held by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

Dr. R. E. Alvares testified that the post-mortem examination held on the deceased revealed that the skull was denuded of scalp and that the lower jaw was missing. The body was in a very advanced stage of decomposition.

A rope was passed 14 times round the deceased's wrists and tied with a double knot at the back. Another piece of rope was passed three times around the neck. There was an irregular hole at the back of the skull. The internal organs were so badly decomposed that it was not possible to ascertain the cause of death.

The appearance of the body was consistent with homicide. A verdict of "Murder by some person or persons unknown" was returned by the Coroner. Det. Sub-Inspector Scragg appeared for the Police.

**ROBBERY HAD ONE SEQUEL**  
The series of armed robberies in San Tin Village, Lok Ma Chau, in June and July last had, as a sequel, the appearance of Man Hip alias Man Hip-kin before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday charged with aiding and abetting.

It was alleged by Det. Sub-Inspector V. J. Mackenzie that defendant was present when eight armed men robbed the Ancestral Hall of four rifles and 48 rounds of ammunition on June 30.

He was further accused of being present when three armed men robbed Man Cheung alias Man Kun-cheung alias Mon Chong of HK\$200 and a cheque on the National City Bank of New York for US\$2,500 at 644 San Tin Village on July 14.

On the same day, the three men, in the presence of accused, robbed Man Chiu of HK\$1 notes at 776 San Tin Village, and assaulted Cheng Hing on at 777 San Tin Village with intent to rob him.

According to Man Kam-yuk, a village guard, about 20 men broke into the Ancestral Hall (used as Guard Headquarters and arms store) at 4 a.m. on June 30, and forced the 16 guards into the strong room at the rear. They then decamped with the rifles and ammunition.

Evidence of arrest of accused in Wing Ping village on Sept. 1 was given by Det. Corporal Chan Yung and Dets. Lau Man and Lau Fuk.

Accused was committed for trial at the next Sessions.

**CANED**  
Sentence of nine months' hard labour and 10 strokes of the cane was passed by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday on Lau Tak, 26, for snatching a wristwatch from Chan Lai-fa, married woman, at Nathan Road near Dundas Street at 10.15 a.m. on Sept. 25.

usual time and on this occasion was confronted by the third accused who said "have you fixed up the matter yet?"

Complainant invited him upstairs, and meanwhile another member of the house reported to the police who arrested this defendant.

First and second defendants were arrested in the street below.

After evidence had been given by witnesses, defendants were sentenced as above.

The Department of Imports & Exports will be closed on Monday for all purposes except for entry and clearance of ships, manifests between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m.

**The Next Day**  
The next day, complainant again returned home at the

## HAWKER AND WOMAN CLASH OVER 5 CENTS

An argument between a hawker and a woman customer over five cents on a purchase of ten tael of bitter melon led to the appearance of Chan Yam-ching, Lo Hai-yuk, Lo Cheung and Lo Mo-bing before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday charged with assaulting Lo Kau, the hawker.

Counter-attack, in the form of summonses, were taken by first, third and fourth defendants, and the woman Mo Kam-yin alias Lo Mo Kam-yin, against Police Lance-Corporal Li Hau-yin, and Police constables Leung Hang, Tang Sang and Leung Yan for assault.

Mr. A. S. C. Comber represented the three Lo's and Chan in both actions, while Mr. C. Wilcox ASP represented the Police.

In outlining the case for the prosecution, Mr. Wilcox said that about 5.30 p.m. a Hawker's Squad, under PLC Li Hau-yin, was on patrol duty at Felho Street near Kilung Street when they were attracted by a large crowd.

On their approach, the crowd dispersed. They were told by Lo Kau, a vegetable hawker, that he had been attacked by about ten persons, as the result of an argument over five cents with a woman.

**The Price**  
According to the hawker, the agreed price on a canty of bitter melon was 40 cents.

After he had weighed one he charged the woman 25 cents for 10 tael. She gave him 20 cents, and he refused.

She then poked him in the face with her finger and he pushed her away.

She attempted to strike him with her umbrella which he knocked to the ground.

The woman, alleged the hawker, picked up her umbrella and struck him on the wrist with it. He slapped her "softly" on both cheeks.

She then left and shortly after returned with about ten men who set upon him with their fists and clothes.

The four defendants, continued Mr. Wilcox, were chased by the constables and arrested.

When brought back to the scene of the fight they were immediately identified by the hawker as his assailants.

When led to the Police van, went on Mr. Wilcox, the accused refused to enter and had to be pushed in. No force was, however, used by any of the raiding party.

The hawker was sent to the Kowloon Hospital by Inspector Chu.

The woman, Mo Kam-yin, refused to go for an examination but, at about 9.15 p.m., she returned with her husband and was then sent to the Hospital to be examined.

The four accused, concluded Mr. Wilcox, made no complaints at the Station of being assaulted.

**Doctor's Story**  
Dr. Au Wal-man of the Kowloon Hospital testified that Lo Kau was suffering from bruises over the right upper apex of the chest and left lower back. The bruises were very extensive. Mo Kam-yin had a bruise over her right eye.

Replying to Mr. Comber, witness said that he did not know Dr. Frommer nor that that doctor had examined Mo on the following day and certified that she had small abrasions on the left lower and right upper brows.

When he examined Mo, said witness, he did not see any

bruise on her left temple nor on the left side of the scalp above the ears. He examined the woman all over, he said, but did not find any injuries other than the bruise over the eye.

Lo Kau's injuries, he said to Mr. Comber, could not have been caused by a fall as they were too extensive. The bruise over Mo's eye could be consistent with her having been punched with a fist.

In cross-examination, Lo Kau denied that he threatened the woman with a long knife which he picked up from the next stall.

**Denial**  
Lance-Corporal Li denied Mr. Comber's suggestion that the push he gave one of the accused could have caused the bruise on the back. He knew nothing whatsoever about the bruises and abrasions found on the first, third and fourth defendants.

Witness further denied that the accused were arrested inside the Shun Hing Teahouse at the junction of Kilung and Kwoilin Streets.

None of the accused were struck by his colleagues or himself.

After evidence had been given by PCC Leung Hang, the case was adjourned until Oct. 15.

**PICK-POCKET**  
Bus conductor Chan Shing was commended by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday for bringing to book Chiu Lick-man, 18, who picked the pocket of a passenger on Chan's bus (4603) on Sept. 25.

According to Inspector J. Orem, Luk Ka-piu was travelling on the bus at 1.15 p.m. on the day in question when near Jordan Road defendant was seen by the bus conductor to put his hand into Luk's inner lower jacket pocket and take out some Chinese notes.

When arrested by Chan defendant dropped the notes on to the floor of the bus. They were picked up and identified by Luk as his property. The total sum was CN\$2,500.

Chiu was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

**SLY-GROG**  
Arrested by Detective 891 and 900 while travelling in taxi 5291 along Nathan Road near Fife Street at 9 a.m. on Sept. 25, Chung Wah, 26, was fined \$500 (duty payable) for the possession of 25 tins (100 gallons) of Chinese liquor by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday. Sub-Inspector J. S. Howarth prosecuted.

Admitting that he had burgled the ground floor of No. 23 Connaught Road Central at 4.15 a.m. on Sept. 23, Chau Lik Sang, 27, was sentenced to serve six months' imprisonment by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

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ed to attend.

Acting Honorary Secretary,  
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S. A. SLEAP,  
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Hongkong, 27th September, 1947.

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# UNITED STATES DENUNCIATION OF SUPPORT OF GREEK REBELS Nation's Existence At Stake

Lake Success, Sept. 26.

The United States on Thursday demanded that the  
United Nations Assembly create a special com-  
mittee including all five great powers to make  
another attempt at stopping the long struggle  
between Greece and her Soviet-supported  
Balkan neighbours.

The United States also denounced Albania, Bul-  
garia and Yugoslavia, and called on the As-  
sembly to find them guilty of helping guerillas  
fight the Greek Government.

With United States Secretary  
of State George Marshall behind  
him, American delegate Her-  
schel V. Johnson delivered one  
of the strongest statements yet  
heard in the months-long con-  
trovercy over the Balkans. He  
demanded—

1. That the Assembly "make  
a finding that Albania,  
Bulgaria and Yugoslavia, in  
contestation of the principles  
of the Charter, have given as-  
sistance and support to the  
guerillas fighting against the  
Greek Government."

2. That the Assembly call on  
those three Governments to  
"cease and desist from render-  
ing any support in any form to  
the Greek guerillas."

## Threat

3. That the Assembly establish  
a special committee to observe  
how the Assembly regulations  
are carried out and to assist the  
four Balkan Governments in  
settling their troubles.

4. That the special committee  
be authorised to recommend a  
special session of the Assembly  
if the situation becomes "suf-  
ficiently dangerous to warrant  
such a move."

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Saturday the 4th October 1947  
at 12.00 noon for the purpose of  
receiving the Report and State-  
ment of Accounts for the Year  
ended 31st December 1946.

Notice is also given that the  
Share Register of the Company  
will be closed from the 27th  
September 1947 to the 4th Octo-  
ber 1947, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
LAU TAK PO,  
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Hong Kong, 20th Sept. 1947.

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E. HIMSWORTH,  
Superintendent,  
Imports and Exports.  
Dated: 23rd September, 1947.

## China Ban On Gossipers

Shanghai, Sept. 26.  
The Municipal Press  
Bureau today announced that  
anyone spreading rumours to  
disturb the local finance mar-  
ket will be arrested and  
severely punished under Gov-  
ernment regulations prohib-  
iting the disturbing of na-  
tional finance.

The decision of the Shang-  
hai Economic Investigation  
Council came as a black market  
rate soared to a new alltime  
high of CN\$58,000.—United  
Press.

## French Views On The Ruhr

London, Sept. 26.

The French views on the pro-  
visional agreement for the  
future of the Ruhr mines,  
reached at the recent Anglo-  
American Conference on Ruhr  
coal production in Washington,  
were submitted today, in the  
form of a letter from M. Mas-  
sac, French Ambassador in  
London, to the Foreign Secre-  
tary, Mr. Ernest Bevin.

The French statement was a  
commentary on the report of  
the Anglo-American Conference  
which planned to set up an  
Anglo-American Control Group  
to supervise production and to  
hand over responsibility for ac-  
tual management of the mines  
to Germans.

The French statement did not,  
it was understood, withdraw the  
objections raised on a number  
of previous occasions by the  
French Government to the Bri-  
tish plan to turn over manage-  
ment to the Germans.

On this main issue France  
reserved its position besides  
offering a number of criticisms  
of details and besides express-  
ing particular concern over the  
future of those mines which are  
French-owned.

The Netherlands Government  
sent Britain a note on the future  
of the Ruhr earlier this month  
which is still being studied in  
the Foreign Office.—Reuter.

# "Red Propaganda" Of Mrs. Roosevelt

Washington, Sept. 25.

Rep. John E. Rankin said today that a magazine  
article by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt on race re-  
lations "is the most insulting Communist pro-  
paganda ever thrown in the face of the white  
women of America."

He made the remark during  
hearings into the entry of Holly-  
wood songwriter Hanns Eisler to  
the United States. The reference  
was to a section of Mrs. Roose-  
velt's page in the Ladies Home  
Journal for September entitled  
"If You Ask Me."

A white mother wrote to Mrs.  
Roosevelt saying that a Negro  
high school student had asked  
her daughter to go to a junior  
prom with him, and asking "What  
would be your reaction to such  
a situation?"

Acknowledging that the ques-  
tion be difficult to answer, Mrs.  
Roosevelt replied "If your  
daughter had known this young  
boy well I do not think it was  
in any way astonishing that he  
should ask her to go with him,  
because if they had been on a  
purely friendly acquaintanceship  
basis there is no more reason why  
she should not go with him than  
with any of the other boys whom  
she knew equally well."

Mrs. Roosevelt advised the  
mother not to "worry too much"  
about her daughter's school  
friends, adding "we should be  
proud that a boy of an  
other race felt he could ask your  
daughter to go to the prom  
—which shows, I think, that her  
attitude had been kind and ma-  
ture."—United Press.

## Petrol Ration To Go

Paris, Sept. 24.  
The Cabinet decided today to  
cut out entirely the ordinary 20-  
litre monthly gasoline ration.

In an attempt to avert dollar  
expenditures, the Cabinet de-  
cided that motorcyclists could  
have five litres of gas a month,  
but the ordinary non-priority car  
driver would get nothing.

Cabinet sources said France had  
only 130,000 cubic metres of  
gasoline available for distribution  
in October, compared to 220,000  
cubic metres for the preceding  
months.

Priority gasoline allocations  
will be slashed 40 per cent, also,  
the Cabinet decided.—United  
Press.

## You Haven't Seen Anything

New York, 25.

Those American women  
who have been objecting to  
the longer length of skirts as  
reflected in this autumn's  
fashions have not seen any-  
thing yet, according to Miss  
Mary Black, New York and  
London stylist and dress au-  
thority.

By next Spring, she said  
when she arrived from Europe  
on board the United States  
liner America, fashions will  
feature a hemline nine inches  
from the floor, compared to the  
current trend which  
places them 12 inches over  
the heel.—Associated Press.

## Ban On Broadcasting

Vienna, Sept. 24.

An Austrian government  
spokesman today officially dis-  
closed that the Austrian For-  
eign Minister, Karl Gruber,  
was prohibited by Soviet cen-  
sorship from broadcasting to-  
night over the Austrian gov-  
ernment radio network on the  
outcome of the Paris Marshall  
Plan talks.

The government spokesman  
said this was the first occasion  
that a high Austrian govern-  
ment official had been prevent-  
ed by Soviet censorship from  
speaking over the government  
radio, the headquarters of  
which is located in the Soviet  
sector of Vienna.

The spokesman said Gruber  
accepted an invitation from  
the American-operated network  
to broadcast his speech as  
scheduled.

He added that a "certain  
Major Molotov" issued the or-  
der prohibiting the Gruber  
broadcast and that no reason  
was given for the ban.—United  
Press.

## Inventor Gets A Refund

Bournemouth, Sept. 24.

Sir Donald Bailey has  
received a cheque for  
£5,400 from the Inland  
Revenue Ministry as a  
refund of income tax de-  
ducted from the grant of  
£12,000 made to him by  
a Royal Commission on  
awards for his invention  
of the Bailey bridge.

Speaking from the Ministry of  
Supply's military experimental  
establishment at Bournemouth  
where he is now engaged, Sir  
Donald told a reporter: "It  
came as a complete surprise."

"I knew they discussed the  
matter but I don't even know  
who raised the question.  
Apparently I have some friends  
hidden in the Ministry."

"Anyway, their efforts have  
had this happy result and it is  
a great deal more satisfactory  
than receiving an award and  
then finding it drastically cur-  
tailed by income tax."

He added: "Nothing had  
been said why the award had  
been found not subject to income  
tax, but I understand that it all  
depends on the wording of the  
award."—Reuter.

## Petrol Ship Explodes

Guam, Sept. 26.

A explosion sank the gasoline-  
laden United States Inter-lan-  
d transport S229 in Apra Har-  
bour on Thursday, touched off  
wharf fires which raged for nearly  
three hours, and critically injured five  
men.

The vessel sank within 1½  
hours, but fuel bubbles continued  
to explode under water, hinder-  
ing Navy fire boats. Exploding oil  
drums and dense smoke from the  
wharf fires continued for another  
1½ hours despite efforts of all  
available firefighters at this big  
naval base.

There was no immediate esti-  
mate of damage or indication of  
the cause of the initial explosion.  
—Associated Press.

## Queen Asks For Austerity

The Hague, Sept. 25.

Queen Wilhelmina of the  
Netherlands, who has decided to  
retire, following her recent attack  
of bronchitis, wishes that "cele-  
brations next year to mark her  
50-years jubilee sovereignty, to  
be "in all soberness, in order to  
avoid unnecessary expenditure."

The Queen, it was stated,  
would be "personally pleased" if  
the money would be used to al-  
leviate hardship in Holland and  
Indonesia, instead of on celebra-  
tions.

The announcement added that  
in view of her age and poor  
health—would be able to attend.  
—Reuter.

## PENSIONS FOR OLD MINERS

London, Sept. 26.

Soviet miners at 50 years of  
age will be granted old age  
pensions provided they have  
twenty or more years of expe-  
rience in coal mining and pit con-  
struction, a Soviet Union decree  
announced today, according to  
Moscow Radio.

The life-long pension will  
amount to half the pay earned  
at the time the pension is grant-  
ed," the radio said.

A bonus system for the num-  
ber of years of service is also  
to be introduced, and the decree  
grants considerable advantages  
and privileges for miners dur-  
ing temporary incapacity.—Reuter.

## GERMAN MINERS

Berlin, Sept. 25.

Recruitment for mines in the  
British zone was recorded in  
August at 18,918—4,598 more  
than in July.

Miners totalling 12,430 out of  
73,912 miners, actually placed,  
went to the Ruhr.

The total labour force in the  
British zone this is now 429,753,  
representing an increase of 53,978  
over last year.—Reuter.

Washington, Sept. 26.  
Final American action to seal  
the peace with Italy, Rumania,  
Bulgaria and Hungary was taken  
on Thursday when President Tru-  
man signed the treaties. Mr.  
Truman put his name on them  
without any special ceremony.—  
Associated Press.

# CHINA WANTS SOVIET VIEWS ON JAP PEACE

Peiping, Sept. 26.

The Premier, Dr. Chang Chun, reaffirmed China's  
determination not to participate in discussions  
on the Japanese peace settlement without the  
Soviet Union in a speech at Yenching Univer-  
sity here yesterday.

He said that without Russian  
any Japanese conference would  
meet with great difficulty in  
solving many problems as Russia  
was closely linked with the Far  
East.

The Premier, who was schedu-  
led to visit Kalgan today in con-  
nection with his inspection tour  
of North China and Manchuria,  
pointed out that in China's  
opinion the Big Four interests in  
the Japanese peace settlement  
were greater than any of the  
other seven Far Eastern nations  
invited by the United States to a  
preliminary peace conference.

This, he said, did not mean  
that China favoured the drafting  
of the Japanese treaty by the Big  
Four alone, but it did mean that  
this country favoured all the Big  
Four be included among the na-  
tions drafting the treaty.

The Premier also expressed  
China's determination to pursue  
an independent foreign policy in  
which she would attempt to bridge  
the differences between the Uni-  
ted States and Soviet Russia.

He stated that China would  
continue to do everything possible  
to strengthen her friendly rela-  
tions and cooperation with her  
wartime allies, particularly Britain,  
the United States, Soviet Russia  
and France.

Clarifying China's attitude re-  
garding the veto issue, he said  
that the Chinese Government, al-  
though agreeable to measures to  
restrict the veto, considered that  
any step to revise the Charter  
provision on this right to be "too  
serious."

The Premier thought that the  
veto should be retained for use  
against proposals which were  
contrary to the spirit of the Charter  
and intended to promote the  
interests of certain groups of  
nations only.—Reuter.

## MANIU TRIAL

Bucharest, Sept. 25.

The trial of Dr. Julius Maniu,  
leader and former Chairman of  
the Rumanian Peasant Party,  
and of leading members of the  
Party will begin on Oct. 10, the  
newspaper Semanalul announced  
today.

Dr. Maniu was imprisoned on  
July 21, charged with treason  
and a week later his party was  
outlawed and dissolved.

The charges, which cover the  
party's activities from 1907 to  
the present day, include pro-  
vocations for an anti-Soviet war,  
policies contrary to the de-  
mocratic reform of the present  
regime and the organisation of  
foreign interference in Rumania.  
—Reuter.

## RESIGNATION

Washington, Sept. 24.

The Secretary of State, Gen-  
eral George Marshall, today  
accepted the resignation of  
William Benton, Assistant  
Secretary of State for Public  
Affairs.

Mr. Benton came under fire  
before Congress in the debate  
on appropriations for the  
State Department's informa-  
tion programmes, including the  
Voice of America.—United  
Press.

## Fight Near Athens

Athens, Sept. 26.

Guerilla forces estimated at  
250 besieged the village of  
Arkahova, 50 miles west of  
Athens on the slopes of historic  
Mount Parnassus, for seven  
hours on Wednesday, but were  
driven off when government re-  
inforcements arrived, official re-  
ports said on Thursday.

During the siege, which in-  
cluded three assaults on the village,  
40 guerrillas were supplied with  
munitions by air. Some of the  
guerrillas were reported to be still  
under attack by Greek Spitfires.

A press report said the moun-  
tainous area south and west of  
Philorina, in Northern Greece  
near the Yugoslav border, had  
cleared of guerrillas. It was pre-  
sumed this was part of a general  
operation to protect Philorina.—  
Associated Press.

## PRESERVATION

Oslo, Sept. 25.

A 4,000-year-old reindeer  
which has been extremely well  
preserved in a Norwegian glacier  
was found after the glacier went  
into dissolution under this sum-  
mer's record heat, the newspaper  
"Verdens Gang" reported.

A stone arrow pointed out from  
the breast of the animal. Archaeo-  
logists decided that the arrow was  
four thousand years old.

Such finds are very rare in  
Norway, and similar preservation  
of prehistoric animals are mostly  
known from Siberian tundras.—  
Associated Press.



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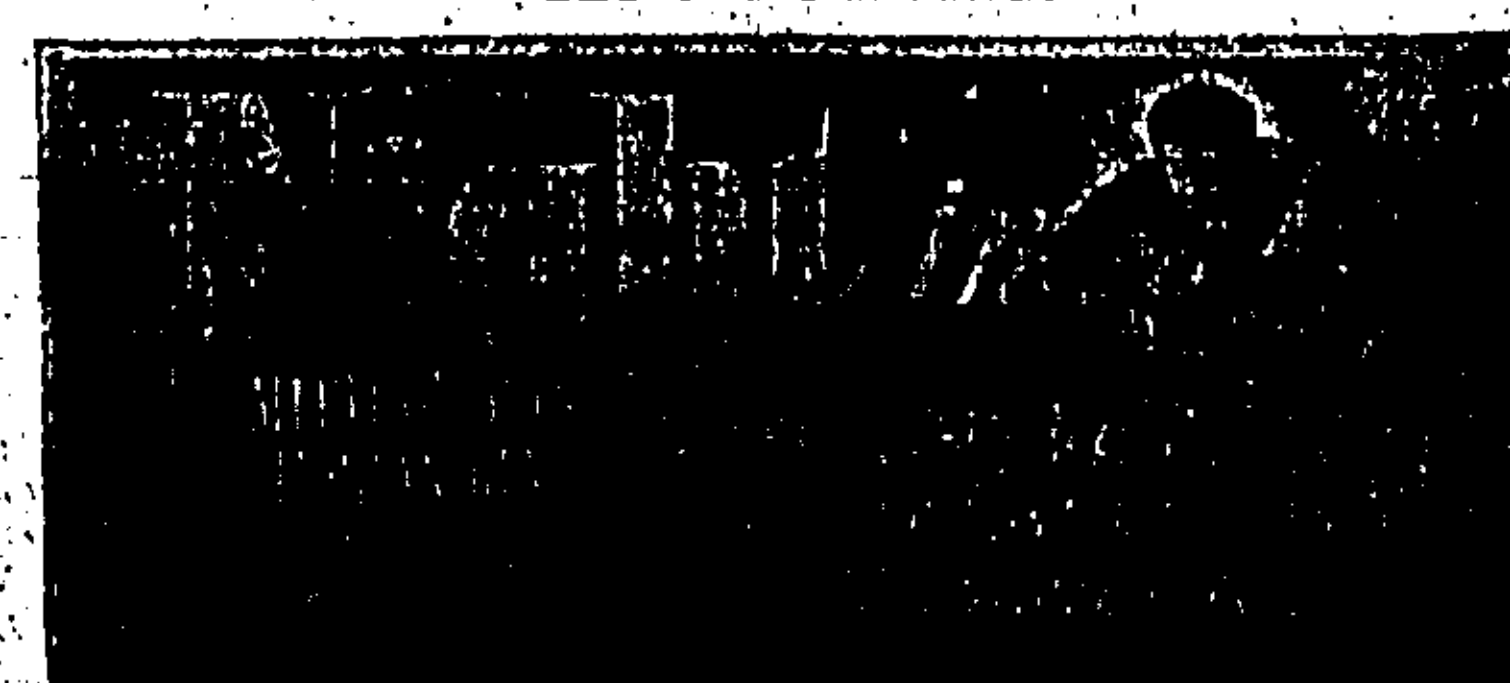


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## MUD-SLINGING CONTINUES IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL

### East-West Verbal Battle Again

Lake Success, Sept. 25.

Sir Alexander Cadogan, of Britain, today accused Russia of "what is vulgarly called horse trading" when the question of Italian membership of the United Nations came up before the United Nations Security Council.

Colonel William Hodgson, of Australia, said that Russia's condition for the admission of Italy to the United Nations "savoured of blackmail."

Russia had sought to make Italy's admission conditional on the other ex-enemy countries—Bulgaria, Finland, Hungary and Rumania—being admitted too.

M. Andrei Gromyko, the Russian delegate, accused Britain and the United States of "deviating from the Potsdam Agreement," which said that the conclusion of the peace conference would enable the Big Three to support applications from all the five ex-enemy countries.

Mr. Herschel Johnson, of the United States, retorted that this did not bind the Allies to support applications unconditionally. They could not sign a blank cheque.

The Council adjourned until Monday without coming to a vote on any application for membership.

#### Vital Force

The meeting was opened by the United States delegate with warm support for the admission of Italy into the United Nations. Mr. Johnson said: "Italy now has full sovereignty and has renewed relations with other nations."

He said: "Italy had given more than ample proof of her devotion to the cause of the Allied peoples. There was every proof that she would be able and willing to carry out her obligations under the Charter."

"The United States is convinced that the Security Council should recommend Italy's immediate admission."

"We are also convinced that her membership will give to the United Nations a new and vital force which will contribute to the accomplishment of its tasks."

Belgium, France, Brazil and Australia all expressed support for Italy.

#### Blanket Motion

Poland's Mdzalewski, however, introduced a blanket resolution covering the admission

This brought a protest from Australia's Colonel William Hodgson who said: "We should not be asked to vote on all these admissions as a whole but should pass a vote in regard to individual countries."

M. Andrei Gromyko, the Russian delegate, said: "We are ready to admit Italy but only on the condition that all the other countries—Bulgaria, Rumania, Hungary and Finland—are admitted as well."

"It is impossible to make any separate decision on Italy's application."

#### Soviet Objects

He said that the United States, Britain and Russia agreed in the Potsdam Agreement that the conclusion of the peace treaties with all five countries would enable the Big Three to support applications from them for membership of the United Nations.

"When the representatives of the United States and Britain propose to consider the Italian application separately, they deviate from the Potsdam Agreement."

"The Soviet Union is not going to follow such an example." Replying to M. Gromyko, Mr. Johnson said that the Allies at Potsdam did not bind themselves without any conditions to support the application of other countries for membership, regardless of any circumstances which could intervene.

The Allied powers reserved the right to judge applications on their merits.

#### Blackmail

"They could not sign a blank cheque as representatives of the Soviet Union seems content to do," Mr. Johnson said.

Sir Alexander Cadogan, of Britain, answering M. Gromyko, said that the Soviet approach to the question was "what is vulgarly called horse trading."

He could not support the Polish resolution for a blanket vote as all countries had not the same qualifications.

Colonel William Hodgson, of Australia, referring to M. Gromyko's statement that he would support Italy if the other four were admitted as well, told the Soviet representative: "You try to impose a condition which, to my mind, savours of blackmail."—Reuter.

## Portugal's Tanker Fleet

Lisbon, Sept. 26.

Portugal, which did not have a tanker to its name before the war, now has five and will have a fleet of nine shortly, official figures showed today.

Berlita, one Swedish tanker, the 12,000-ton Juno, is loaned from Sweden, though she sails under a Swedish flag. Two small tankers are owned by the Shell Oil Company and are considered part of the Portuguese tanker fleet, bringing the total to 100,000 tons. Of the five now owned by the State, three of them, the 12,000-ton Gerez and Marao, and the 6,000-ton Alre, were bought from Sweden.

The Sam Braz is a gasoline tanker used by the Navy and the Semeiro, owned by Companhia Colonial de Navegacao, is used largely by the Army. The four being built include two of 12,000 tons and two of 10,000 tons. Monthly consumption of liquid fuel, mostly supplied by tanker,

## ARAB WARNING ON PALESTINE PARTITION

London, Sept. 26.

Syria has advised Britain that none of the Arab League States would recognize the partition of Palestine.

Similar warnings are expected from Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Yemen, Trans-Jordan and Lebanon.

The Arab States' Premier met last week. A Foreign Office spokesman said they mapped an economic boycott of all United Nations members voting for partition.—Associated Press.

## Spending The Wrong Way

Washington, Sept. 26.

Marriner S. Eccles, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, suggested that the United States might better spend less on its military forces in order to aid foreign democracies.

"It may be we could spend less on military forces if more were spent on maintaining conditions on which democracy and peace depend," Eccles said in a speech to the National Association of Supervisors of State Banks on Thursday.

"We cannot very well continue to spend as much as we have on both," Eccles said, declaring that "vigorous inflationary forces" already are at work and a "severe

## "The Wolf Is Already At Door"

Aberystwyth, Sept. 25.

The Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Tom Williams, today told farmers that the "wolf was already at the door" when he explained to them the Government's new plan, aimed at producing an extra £100,000,000 worth of food from the soil in the next four years.

Speaking at the Welsh agricultural organisation conference here, he said: "Our new plan is consistent with our former aims although it goes rather further than we had previously contemplated."

"In particular, the advance must be more rapid because the wolf is already knocking at the door."

Mr. Williams emphasised that the Government were only asking for a more rapid accomplishment of the long-term policy embodied in the Agriculture Act of 1947, whose underlying purpose was to increase guaranteed prices and assure markets. "We are not asking for a revolution in agriculture. The revolution has already taken place," he declared.—Reuter.

economic storm appears to be threatening."—Associated Press.

## Century-Old Curse Of Whitehorns Wears Itself Out

Wallingford, Sept. 26.

The century-old "curse of the Whitehorns"—the Whitehorns are a family many of whose children have been born with only one finger on each hand and one toe on each foot—apparently is wearing itself out.

Dr. George McMillan, family doctor of the Whitehorns whose curious history has been studied by many eugenicists, said that Professor Karl Pearson, one of the pre-eminent men in that field had agreed the hereditary persistence of the defect was beginning to bow to time.

This view is based partly on the fact that the only one of the seven children of Mrs. Thomas Whitehorn born with ten fingers and ten toes is now married and has two perfectly normal children. His five brothers and one sister are all one-fingered and one-toed.

Mrs. Whitehorn's husband—she is widowed—was one of ten children, five of whom were normal and the other five one-fingered and one-toed.

A legend huffed at by most of the Whitehorns says that an ancestress giving evidence at a trial cried:

"If I am not telling the truth may all my children and their children be born without fingers or toes."

Mrs. Whitehorn's youngest child, James, 20, said that all Whitehorn children were ambidextrous, play games, write and ride bicycles "just as well as normal people."

Dr. L.S. Penrose of the University of London has been quoted as saying that a study of the Whitehorns showed the children were almost always gifted mentally as compensation for the physical defect.—United Press.

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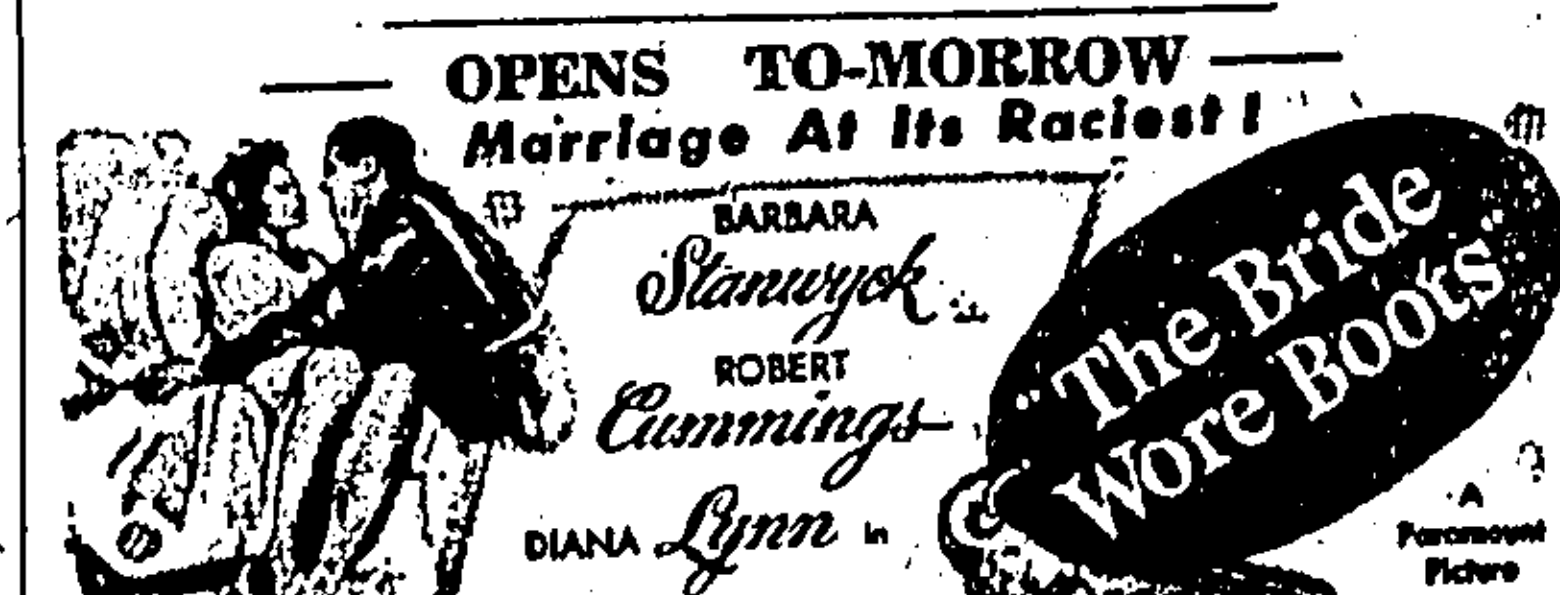
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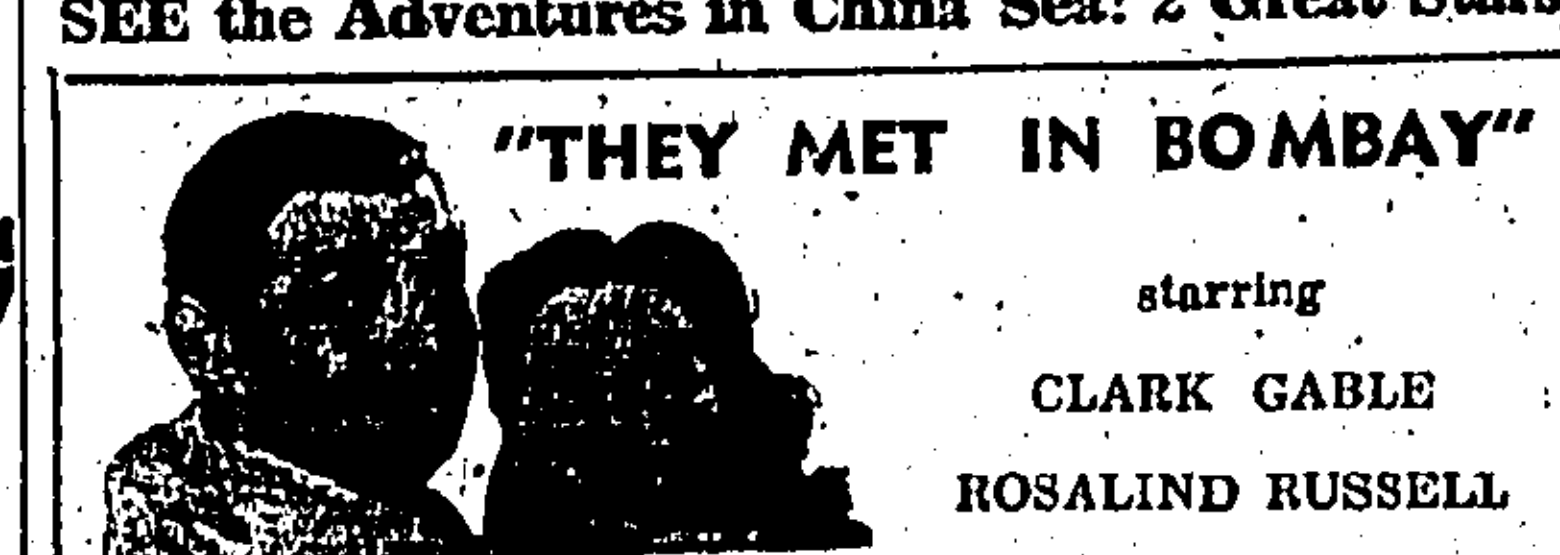
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### TELEPHONE CO. CHARGES

The accompaniment of a twelve per cent. dividend for Telephone Company shareholders with a warning that representations have been made to Government with a view to an increase in telephone charges must seem, to the average user, a somewhat peculiar combination. Nor will he find it particularly easy to accept the arguments advanced in justification. Agreed the Telephone Company's profits are on a much lower scale than they were prior to the Pacific War. Half a million dollars, nevertheless, still represents a very substantial sum. It is true, also, that labour costs are continuing to rise and the recent increases in pay of artisans generally must cut further into the Company's revenues. It is a fact, too, that of all the charges for various services provided for this community, as compared with pre-war, the Telephone Company has increased the least, the present rates being no more than 50 per cent. above those of 1941. At a period in local commercial history when profits generally are greater than ever before, it is not unnatural that the directors and shareholders of the Telephone Company should find something anomalous in a position which so seriously restricts their own capacity to 'climb up on the bandwagon.' And possibly, on the known facts, some increase in the rate would be fitting. It is, however, strongly to be hoped that in making its decision in this case, Government will not adopt the principle that the test of a fair rate is the ability of the Company to earn profits at the exceptionally high pre-war level. Shareholders have a right to expect a reasonable dividend: the ability of the Company to maintain its service at a high pitch of efficiency should not be impaired. These are the only considerations; and on them the Company should be expected to make out a good case before an increase in rates is authorised. No hint was given by the Chairman of the amount of increase that has been urged on Government, so that discussion of the equity of the claim is rather in the dark. It must, however, be apparent that the Colony has recently been losing ground rapidly in the fight to achieve a more stable economy, and that every addition to general costs will further postpone a return to sane price levels.

Whatever is finally decided, however, it is at least to be hoped that the new provisions will not include the introduction of the message rate system, about which there has been a good deal of rumour. There are distinct advantages in the system, from the Company's viewpoint, at a time when pressure on the exchanges is as heavy as it is in Hong Kong just now. One of the immediate effects, it can safely be assumed, would be a reduction in the number of calls, and consequently far fewer complaints about crossed lines and other such idiosyncrasies of overtaxed equipment. Telephone-users, on the other hand, where they have become accustomed to the flat rate basis of charging, heartily dislike the alternative system, involving, as it does, a continuous check upon calls, the setting up of office regulations covering the use of telephone—all of it adding up to one more point of exasperation among the petty difficulties of life.

On the other hand, such questions, put to a layman, would produce different reactions. It is indeed difficult for a member of the lay public to reply without bias. His reply, however honestly given, would most likely be an unconscious expression not of opinion but of prejudice coloured by his own ignorance or misunderstanding of the principles and the procedure of the law and by his own experience in some case or other in which he had been concerned.

### Different Images

A lay litigant who loses his case is usually in full accord with Mr. Bumble in his conviction that "The law is a ass" whereas such a litigant, if a winner, will agree wholeheartedly with a judicial obiter dictum of years ago that "Law is the perfection of common sense."

Again, the words "The Law" bring different images to the lay mind. To one man it may mean the black-silk robed and white horse-hair wigged figure of a Judge of the Chancery Division interpreting a document or deciding a partnership action; to another it may bring a picture of a scarlet-robed Judge of the King's Bench Division giving judgment in a case of tort or what not. To yet another it may suggest the President of the Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Division declaring a will to be invalid, or dissolving a marriage obviously not made in heaven or deciding a dispute between those who go down to the sea in ships. To people of the underworld "The Law" may conjure up a vision of the "Red Judge" at

**100 Years Ago**

(From the files of the "China Mail")

Two years ago Commodore Biddle of the American Navy visited Japan in the United States ship "Columbus" of 74 guns, having the sloop "Vincennes" in company. On the return of the "Vincennes" to Macao her officers made no secret of the reception they met with at Yedo, mentioning that Commodore Biddle had been pushed or struck off the gangway in attempting to visit a Japanese Junk. This might have occurred to the Commander of any foreign vessel, and there appeared no reason to dispute the fact. Commodore Biddle's countrymen, however, thought differently and threw discredit on the report. Commodore Biddle acted with great forbearance—fearlessness, considering the force under his command which can only be attributed to the purest feelings of humanity. He might have swept the vessels with which he was surrounded from the face of the water, destroying hundreds, perhaps thousands of lives without incurring the slightest personal risk. Under the circumstances many foreign Commanders would have done so. In refraining from avenging a personal, and it would appear, unintentional assault, by indiscriminate slaughter, Commodore Biddle sets an example which is well deserving of their officers should imitate in their intercourse with semi-barbarous nations.

### EGYPT AND STERLING

Cairo, Sept. 25.

Badr Pasha, Egyptian Finance Minister, commenting on press reports that Egypt could not afford to remain outside the sterling area, declared today that Egypt might re-enter the sterling area if she cannot obtain sufficient dollars under the present regime.

Much depended on the outcome of the current financial talks with Great Britain, he said.—Reuter.

## "THE LAW DOES NOT CONSIDER TRIFLES!"

In the course of a poll, held recently under the aegis of a newspaper, a representative cross-section of the public was asked in effect what were its opinions on two questions—

"Are all men equal before the law?" and "Is there one law for the rich and another for the poor?"

If put in public, such questions addressed to a lawyer—who should be qualified to answer—would be futile. To the first question every orthodox lawyer from the Lord Chief Justice down to the tyro with a brand new wig and gown, would of course reply in a tone admitting of no possible probable shadow of doubt "Yes"; nevertheless, to such a question "off the record" in the smoking room of his club he might very well reply only with a cynical and non-committal smile.

To the second question—put in public—he would reply just as emphatically "No." In the club he might be wisely mute.

On the other hand, such questions, put to a layman, would produce different reactions. It is indeed difficult for a member of the lay public to reply without bias. His reply, however honestly given, would most likely be an unconscious expression not of opinion but of prejudice coloured by his own ignorance or misunderstanding of the principles and the procedure of the law and by his own experience in some case or other in which he had been concerned.

the Old Bailey, or the Police Magistrate who forces upon them His Majesty's hospitality.

### Jungle Of Rules

There remains then the vast bulk of the people to whom "The Law" means not so much civil or criminal law in the Abstract as the vast jungle of minatory rules and orders having the force of law in which modern legislation compels them to wander.

When speaking of the law to day all depends (as a well known professor would say) on what you mean by the law.

The disquieting fact is that to most people "The Law" nowadays means not so much the general administration of justice and equity in courts as the irritating intricacies of the forms and orders prescribed by bureaucrats. There is indeed little in daily life which is too small and petty to engage their attention.

In that sense, "The Law" is no longer a public benefit: it has become a public and personal pettifoggery nuisance.

Take such an instance as this—one out of hundreds and remarkable only in its incidence but not in principle:

At the annual show of a horticultural society it has long been the custom (except during the wars) for members to contribute the ingredients of a cake: the cake is baked; the visitors guess its weight and the best guesser literally "takes the cake"—or does he?

### Verboten

This year, the Committee, being a nervously law-abiding body, knowing that nearly every damned thing the people want or do is "verboten" by one or more of the thousand-and-one rules which govern us, thought it safer to make enquiries about the legality of the cake business. It carefully drew official attention to the fact that all the ingredients of the cake were given "free, gratis and for nothing." An official of the Food Ministry, apparently semi-human, went so far as to look the other way and permit the competition.

Still the horticulturalists were not—mentally—at rest. They

were not satisfied with being well meaning; they wanted the position to be authoritatively defined by the Ministry so that they might sleep at night. They rushed upon their fate and met it face to face.

The Ministry said: "The Ministry are advised that the supply by way of gift of a cake by the producer of the cake is competent by virtue of Article 8 (f) vi of the Food Rationing (General Provisions) Order 1947 but that the handing over of the cake to the winner in a competition, without the surrender of the appropriate number of bread units would be a breach of the Order."

However, to do the Food Ministry justice, it added, no doubt to save the face of its official, that it would not withdraw his concession but that it should not be regarded as a precedent and that no further concessions would be given.

Now let someone quote the legal maxim that "The law does not consider trifles."

## Anglo-French Talks On Jews

London, Sept. 26.

Technical discussions have been held recently between the British and French authorities on arrangements by which the French Government will provide asylum for all the 430 Jews from the illegal immigrant ship President Warfield, who wish to avail themselves of it.

Detailed arrangements for the transport of such Jews as accepted the offer have been worked out with the French Government, while the screening of immigrants is going on at two camps near Lubek.

The French Government has agreed in principle to keep its offer open in reply to the urgent British request made shortly before the Jews on board the three British transports which took them back to France from Haifa reached Hamburg earlier this month.

The only French stipulation in agreeing to keep the offer open after the immigrants reached Germany was that none of them should be forced to go to France.

Earlier, the possibility of landing in France had been rejected by all but a very small minority of the Jews when the three ships were lying off Port de Bouc, on the south coast of France.—Reuter.

## China Gives U.S. A Shock

The United States intention to issue invitations for an 11-nation preliminary Japanese peace conference to meet concurrent with the United Nations General Assembly has been knocked awry by the Chinese "decision to side with the Soviet Union in insisting on the Big Power veto being applied to the conference decisions."

The United States had intended to send out invitations within a few days. However, the Chinese position as solidified during the past week has made it necessary to open Chinese-American negotiations looking to some agreement on the question.

While it is not permitted at this point to reveal exactly what official statement of the Chinese position has been made to the United States Government, it can reliably be reported that Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Shih-chieh's statement to the United Press was not the first word the State Department had received on the Chinese attitude.

Authoritative sources said the United States would attempt to clarify the situation with the Chinese before taking any further steps.

### Divided Views

The British Commonwealth, France, Netherlands, Philippines and India already had signified their willingness to proceed with an 11-nation conference with decisions to be reached by two-thirds majority and no veto power for any nation. Until China sprang her surprise, Russia was the only nation which had insisted on the veto power and also contended that the writing of the treaty should be the prerogative only of the Asiatic Big Four—the United States, Russia, United Kingdom and China.

The Americans and British had decided that the urgency of the question made it worthwhile to risk proceeding with the Russian while, at the same time, hoping for a last-minute change of heart by the Soviets.

Observers here in close touch with the Far Eastern situation are divided in their

### Bargaining Position

The other school professes to read in the Chinese action some intention to use their position to bargain with the Americans for economic aid. The highest sources here admitted that they still were without definite indications as to just what the Chinese were aiming at. They expected, however, that the situation would be clarified within the next fortnight by conversations with Dr. Wang and the Chinese Ambassador to the United States, Dr. Wellington Koo, both of whom are attending the United Nations sessions in New York.

The only thing which could at the weekend be stated with certainty was that no peace conference invitations would go out until the United States and China had a showdown on the question.

Meanwhile, American officials were said to be studying the American press, and public reaction to Secretary of State George Marshall's announcement of his intention to seek a United Nations decision on the Korean deadlock. Qualified sources said that the United States would decide on a basis of such reaction whether the time is ripe to reveal American intentions to give long-term economic aid to Korea whether the United Nations is successful in unifying the country or whether it continues to be divided into American and Soviet zones of occupation.

United Press.

## CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Okay, Pop, but you know what they say—this'll prob'ly hurt you worse'n it does me!"

## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

"The Authority on Authority"

### TAKE A TRICK TWICE

Stolid players often fail to see the advisability of playing a higher card on their partner's honor which is patently a winner of the current trick if a low card is played. It is absolutely essential to successful defense against many contracts, however. Failure to do it can result in the blocking of a suit and presentation of his content to the declarer. Such inept defenders, however, probably will never learn to spot the times when it is necessary to do what they call "taking a trick twice."

S74	SAJ	SK8652
HKQJ7	H8	H932
DJ	DA109874	D532
CJ83	CA1097	CKQ
	W	
	S	
	EQ1093	
	HA10	
	DKQ8	
	C6542	

(Dealer: North. North-South vulnerable.)

North	East	South	West
1D	Pass	JNT	Pass
2C	Pass	2NT	Pass
3D	Pass	3NT	Pass

The hero of this duplicate deal, should have been West and the villain South. But as it developed South was the hero and East the goat. South was one of those smart-Alecky chaps whose tournament scores are always full of tops and bottoms, unbelievably fine scores on some deals and terrifically bad ones on others. He is always shooting for extravagant tops and therefore de-

clined to steer the contract into a declaration which might not be reached at any other table.

After North's diamond opener, he reckoned the side strength might be in the other suit, thereby plugging up all four with some kind of stopper. But when he bid his first No Trump, West deduced what he was up to, as he was familiar with South's weird technique. West therefore passed to conceal his heart suit, hoping there would be more No Trump bidding as there was. East, an unimaginative player, was not in the class in any respect except that of speed. He could play his cards as rapidly as anybody else. So when the heart K was led he refused to "take the trick twice" but played his 10. His A had to take the heart J lead, however, blocking the suit permanently. Later he got two diamond tricks, but no more, and he could never put West in the lead again to run hearts. If East had overtaken the heart K with the A the first seven tricks could have been run.

### Tomorrow's Problem

SQ76	SAK	SA1097
HQ85	HA10	DAK
D854	DK45	CAQ863
CJ1075	CK4	
	W	
	S	
	EQ1093	
	HA10	
	DKQ8	
	C6542	

(Dealer: East. North-South vulnerable.)

What is the perfect play by South of 6-No Trumps on this deal after the diamond Q lead?

## Foundations Laid For German Economic Recovery

London, Sept. 25.

Britain has proposed to the United States, France and the Soviet Union that the London meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers should be held at the end of November to avoid a clash with the General Assembly of the United Nations, a Foreign Office spokesman stated tonight.

He added that the proposals were then modified by the French and United States Governments to postpone the conference of special deputies of the Big Four Foreign Ministers for Germany—to open on Oct. 5—to the beginning of November.

These proposals have been communicated to the Soviet Government whose view is not yet known.

The French and United States Governments, it is understood, have suggested that if the Council of Foreign Ministers does not open until the end of November, it is unnecessary to hold the Conference of deputies six or seven weeks in advance.

It was reported from Berlin that Mr. John W. Snyder, United States Secretary of State, left Berlin for Paris this afternoon. He has been on a brief visit to Berlin for talks with American financial experts.

Snyder declared that the situation in Germany was serious but a foundation had been laid for its recovery.

"I see no reason why Germany should not be able to improve her economic life considerably in the next few years by hard work and determination," Mr. Snyder was reported as having said.

"It looks quite clear to me that her production should be put into force for the general recovery of Europe."

Meanwhile, 21 more former German war plants were released for distribution through the Interallied Reparations Agency in August.

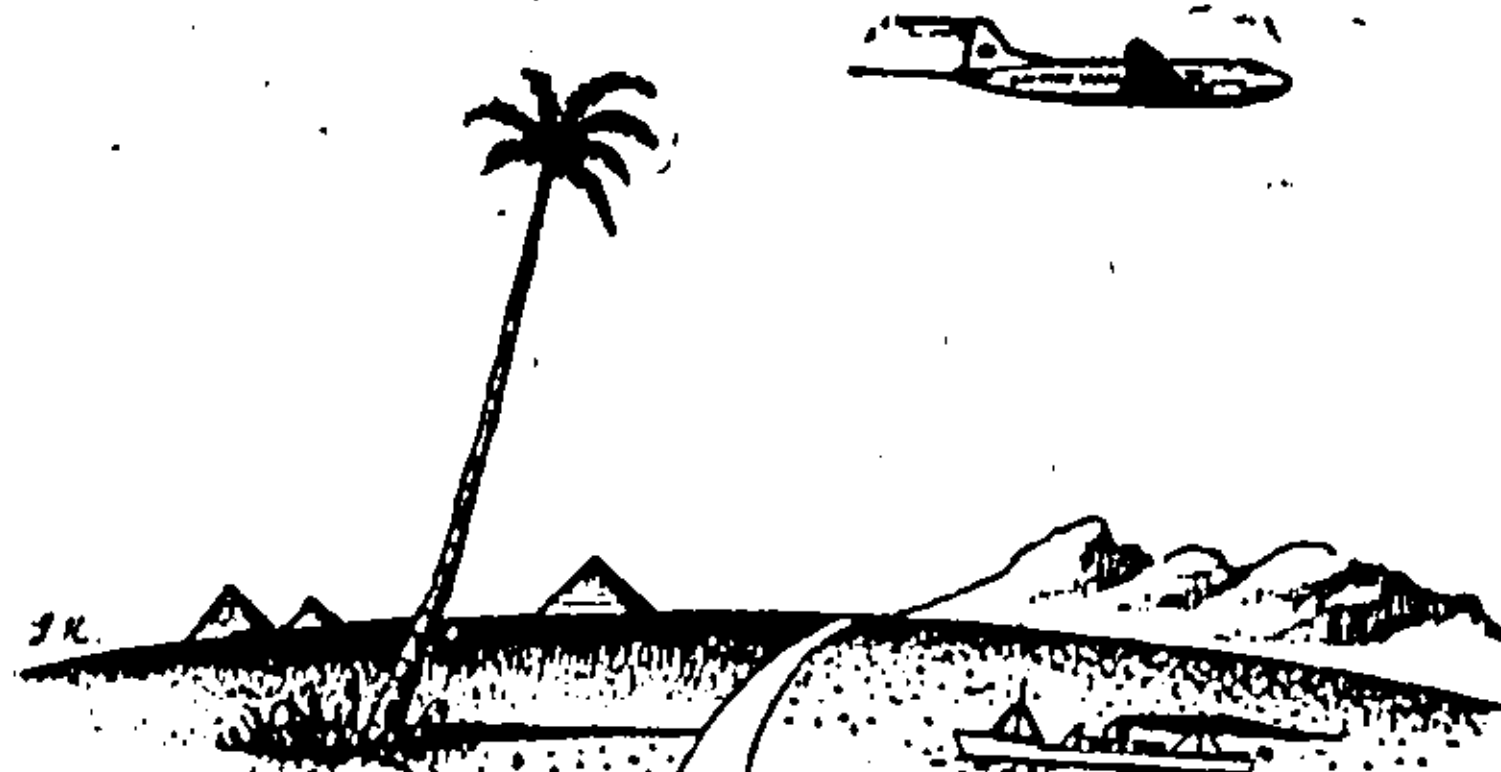
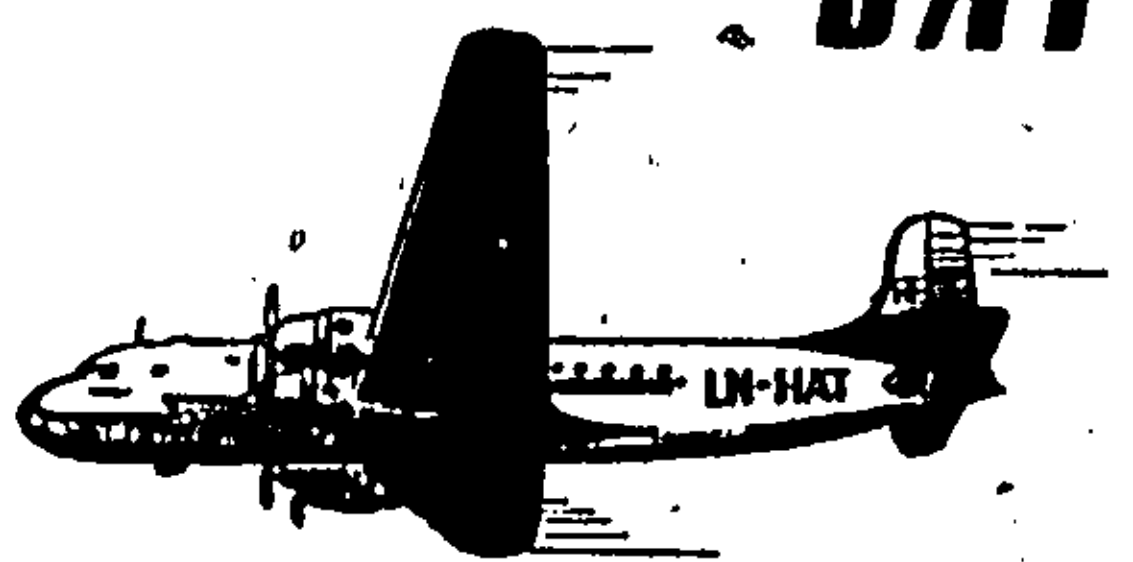
Two of the war plants have been handed directly to the Soviet Union by the Agency in Brussels which distributes the plants to the states entitled to receive them as reparations.—Reuter.

Cairo, Sept. 26.

Egypt on Thursday banned further pilgrimages to Mecca this year because of a cholera outbreak. About 8,500 Moslems already had left for the shrine. The opening of schools, scheduled for next month, was postponed.—Associated Press.



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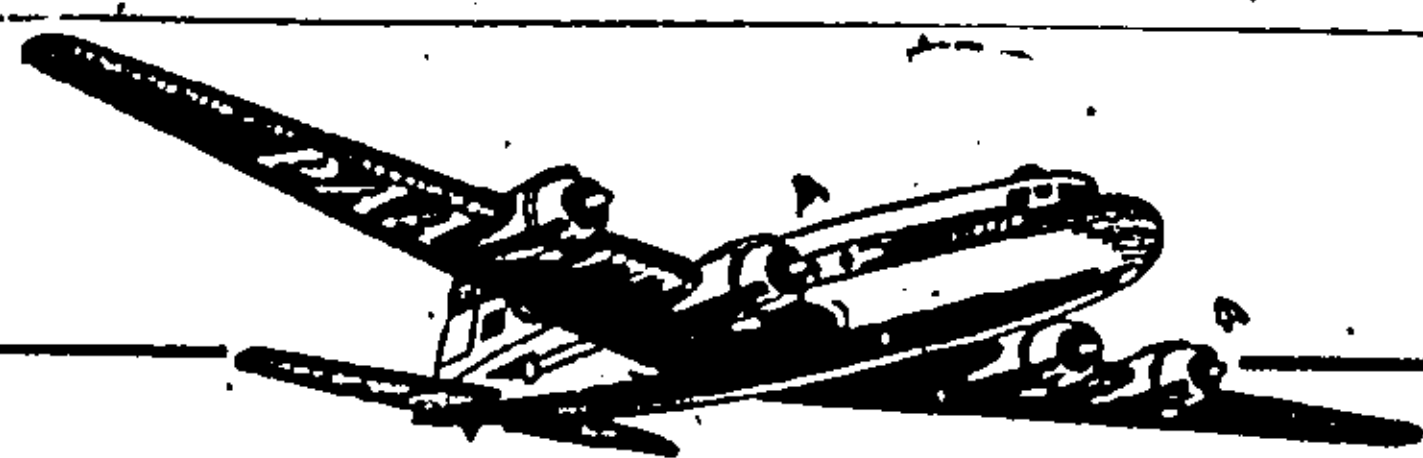
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## PRESIDENT TRUMAN ASKS URGENT AID FOR EUROPE Stop-Gap Help To Be Requested

Washington, Sept. 25.....  
"Certain problems have arisen in connection with the economic situation in Europe that are of such an urgent nature that their solution cannot await the careful study required for over-all decisions," President Truman, referring to the more immediate problem of "stop gap" aid to the European countries, which he refused to estimate, said at a press conference today. "These problems are of an emergency nature which demand immediate attention," he said. "For this reason I have requested a group of Congressional leaders to meet with me on Monday to discuss plans for determining the action to be taken by the United States to aid in preserving the stability and promoting the recovery of nations which participated in the Paris Conference."

### Sound Principles

The President said that he would seek "immediate action" on Europe's emergency needs when he meets with these leaders on Monday. He hoped that the funds needed to keep Europe from freezing and starving could be achieved without a special session of Congress, but he had an open mind on this subject and realized that it might prove necessary.

The President said that the Paris report was based on sound principles and will appeal to the commonsense of the American people. "Their effective translation into action beneficial both to European recovery and of the world would constitute a healthy sign."

"The problems of the Paris report not only underlie the political and economic well-being of Europe but are also of key importance to a stable peace in the world."

The United States has been carrying out studies complementary to the Paris Conference with the Harriman Committee studying natural resources and a committee investigating the impact of the Marshall plan on national economies, the President added.

### Grave Danger

President Truman refused to commit himself on a special

session of Congress and expressed the hope that an emergency programme might be implemented without one. It is understood that Mr. George Marshall, Secretary of State, probably will return to Washington to be with the President when he meets Congressional leaders.

The President said that there was a grave danger of the European countries running out of both coal and food shortly, though he did not mention any by name.—Reuter.

## SMITHFIELD MEN TO GO BACK

London, Sept. 25.

The six-day unofficial strike of 200 lorry drivers at Smithfield's London meat market ended today when the men decided to return to work tomorrow unconditionally.

The drivers struck in sympathy with four men suspended last Friday for refusing to work in another depot of the market.

"The employers have accepted the complete resumption of work by all the men, including the suspended drivers," the men's trade union organiser said.

Seven hundred troops deployed meat to retail butchers in London during the strike.—Reuter.

## Stinging British Rebuke On Petkov Execution

London, Sept. 25.

Great Britain today sent a note to the Bulgarian Government condemning the execution of the former Bulgarian opposition leader, Nicolai Petkov, as "a travesty of justice" which confirmed the "sinister impression that the Bulgarian Government is determined to extinguish the last vestiges of liberty in Bulgaria."

The note said, inter alia:—"His execution is yet another example of the use of judicial murder to get rid of people who do not agree with their Government—a procedure which is not compatible with democracy," it said.

The note, which was delivered in Sofia today by the British Minister, Mr. John Stenning, implied that the trial and execution of Petkov constituted a breach of Article II of the Bulgarian peace treaty, which came into force on Sept. 15. This article guarantees political freedom in Bulgaria.

"The trial was, in fact, one more manoeuvre in the general campaign on which the present Bulgarian Government appears to have embarked to establish in Bulgaria a regime controlled by a single minority party and to stifle those who hold other views."

### Right And Duty

"His Majesty's Government consider that they have not only the right but also the duty to make known their opinion upon this matter both officially to the Bulgarian Government and publicly to the world."

### NO RED THREAT THERE

Los Angeles, Sept. 25. Brigadier Victor C. Secomb, Engineer-in-Chief of the Australian army, says his country has no Communist threat—"only the average number of disgruntled citizens."

Secomb, here to inspect United States army engineering projects, told a news conference: "Continued close relationship between the British Empire and the United States will block Communism at every turn. In any country Russians are few and far between."—Associated Press.

## EAT LESS APPEAL TO AMERICANS TO PREVENT FOOD CRISIS

Washington, Sept. 25.

President Truman warned the United States today that the world faced a "food shortage even worse than the year ago." He appealed to all Americans to join in the "less waste" campaign to avert a "critical situation calling for immediate action."

He said at a press conference that he would discuss the possibility of the necessity of legislative action to maintain food exports and, at the same time, force down prices in the United States when he meets Congressional leaders next week.

He announced the creation of a "Citizens Food Committee" which would develop plans for bringing the vital problem of food conservation to the attention of every American for action.

He warned that exports would certainly not equal last year's total shipments, but insisted that no American could let the people freeze to death if it could be avoided.

The President made public the report of his Cabinet Committee on World Food Programmes which stressed the "extremely grave food situation abroad and its relationship to the interior ability to help meet the urgent foreign food needs and the prices situation in the United States."

### Cannot Rest

Citing the havoc among European crops, the Committee also referred to the serious drop in American maize production and the resultant "strong temptation to feed more wheat to livestock," adding: "This will reduce the availability of United States grain for export shipment by more than 2,000,000 tons below last year's level unless additional positive action is taken."

President Truman added: "The United States cannot rest on this project. To ship more abroad without adjustments in the domestic demand, however, would aggravate our own price situation."

He placed emphasis on the desirability of shipping foods other than grain to round out the export programme and for "arrangements for the fullest participation by other nations" in the combined effort to channel available supplies to points of the greatest need.

"But definite steps to conserve on the use of foodstuffs at home and to reduce the feeding of grain to livestock will be essential if we are to make our fullest contribution towards meeting minimum needs, and, at the same time, relieve the upward pressure on prices at home," he said.

### Waste Less

President Truman said that, while waiting for detailed recommendations from the Citizens Food Committee, there was "one immediate and personal thing that each of us can do."

"We can start now to conserve by being more selective in the food we buy, particularly livestock products whose production requires a large quantity of grain."

The Committee report said that the most immediate and important measure to be taken was "an all-out drive for domestic conservation" which the President described as a "waste less" campaign.

The President said that if every American saved one slice of bread daily, the needs of Europe would be met.

The Cabinet Committee report mentioned rice, beans, peas, edible fats, dairy products, dried fruits, citrus juices and vegetables among the alternative foods that might be exported. "We must send every pound of good practicable to ship to countries of the greatest need,"—Reuter.

## Signalman Takes The Blame

London, Sept. 25.

The inquiry concluded today into last month's Doncaster railway collision, in which eight were killed.

Brigadier C. A. Langley, conducting the inquiry, told signalman J. W. McKone, who was called for further questioning: "I do not want you to make any excuses. You have taken the blame for this accident quite frankly."

McKone, who had earlier agreed that he had made two mistakes, said: "I do not want to shield myself, or to tell any lies. I have done my best to tell the truth and the whole truth."

His normal reaction when he heard the indicator bell ring in his box at Balby junction was to go to pull his No. 2 lever. The Brigadier said: "It seems to be rather lucky you have not had a collision before if that has been your reaction."

The signalman said that on the day of the accident, it was not the box was stuffy, although he had both windows and door open.—Reuter.

### ELECTION OF CARDINALS

Vatican City, Sept. 25. A Conistory for the nomination of the Cardinals may be held soon after the Pope's return from his summer residence at Castel Gandolfo.

Among the names mentioned as likely to be included in the new list of Cardinals was that of Mons. John F. D'Alton, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland.—Reuter.



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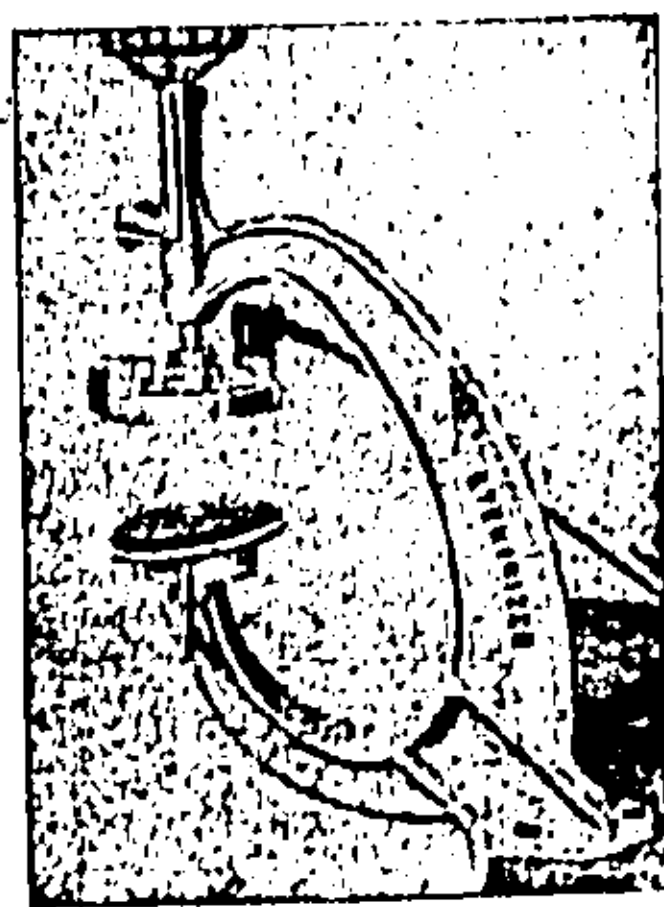
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# MOTERING NEWS AND VIEWS

## AMERICA'S 1948 MODELS WILL BE A BIT LATE



There will be some new model American cars around the start of 1948, but many will be delayed until well into the year; it may be mid-year before all manufacturers have their next models on display; it will be even later before the supply catches up with the demand.

This is the thinking in many American trade quarters right now and while it is subject to change on short notice, there is nothing in the recent outlook to indicate any major deviation from that programme. Many of the so-called independent—Nash, Hudson, Packard, and Studebaker—as first out with new models; some may come before the current year's end. Soon thereafter Kaiser-Frazer may decide to swing over its 1948 models.

Next to appear (the trade authorities believe) will be some of the General Motors cars, with Buick and Pontiac probably leading the way early in January.

On the basis of new tool and die equipment activities to date, the new Chrysler and Ford cars should not appear until further into the year. Chrysler has not even hinted at new model plans; Ford has said its new Ford will be ready "after the first of the year."

Ford has said the 1948 cars will be new "from bumper to bumper and from wheels to roof," but few of the other manufacturers have made any such assertions concerning their next models.

All will have style changes, of course, but the extent of the engineering advances to be made still is regarded as uncertain.

## BUT....



"Indefinite deferment" is the latest word from General Motors on plans for an entirely new, light, lower-priced Chevrolet.

Basically, this is the car on which GM-Holden's is actively at work in Australia and apparently it will be built there but not in the United States. Shortages of plant building materials and of sheet steel for car bodies is the reason given for the present decision.

Chevrolet will concentrate on filling orders for its present and 1948 lines, instead of diverting materials and energy to new factories and an entirely new design.

Ford is also reported to have dropped its often-revised small car, and the 1948 line will be full-sized, though somewhat lighter than present models.

Princess Elizabeth's first car, which she will often drive herself, will carry the number "HRH 1." It is a Daimler. The cars belonging to the King and Queen, of course, carry no registration number.

## Stop-And-Go



The American automobile industry has about 50 per cent greater production capacity than it had before the war but it may be well into next year before fullest use of it can be made.

Harnessed by parts and materials shortages, chiefly sheet steel, the industry has abandoned hope that 1947 will be a record year in car and truck output. It apparently will do well if it turns out 3,500,000 passenger cars and 1,000,000 commercial units.

Six months ago, the car builders had seemingly well-grounded expectations that the year's output would be the 5,358,000 units that were assembled in 1929. Since last March, however, every car maker has had to stop and start his car and truck assembly lines every few weeks for carrying periods as stockpiles of body components and other items ran out. Many of the industry authorities say there is no present assurance that the stop-and-go processes can be avoided during the remainder of the year.

Nearing the end of eight months operation this year, assembly plants of the United States have put out about 2,216,000 cars and 793,000 trucks.

## 3-Wheeler



California's bid for position in the automobile industry — the three-wheeled Davis car — carries with it a big plum for 154 technicians if it proves successful. And nothing if it fails.

These alert engineers, draftsmen, tooling experts and expeditors are regularly employed during nights, Sundays and holidays in developing the Davis for the Car-search Engineering Corps. If their prototype, named after the designer, Gary Davis, is a success, they will receive double their normal earning rate. Otherwise they will receive nothing.

The Davis has been road-tested for 400,000 miles over all types of roads at speeds as high as 116 miles an hour. Plans call for production of at least 50 cars a day by Jan. 1, 1948.

In addition to the tricycle type mounting, other unique features include hydraulic built-in jacks for tire changing, all-aluminum chassis and body, and a one-piece cantilever, removable top. Designers claim the Davis, with its 60-horsepower, four-cylinder engine, will average 50 miles to the gallon of gasoline at speeds of 35 to 40 miles an hour.

The Davis weighs only 1,328 pounds, less than half the weight of the conventional light car.—United Press.

## The Tucker



Skidproof, and can't be turned over, are two claims made for the new car-motored Tucker car.

The car is being kept secret, but some details of it are known. With 300 fewer parts than other cars, the Tucker is streamlined, five feet high, and has a third lamp in the centre of the radiator geared to turn with the wheels.

Driving instruments are on the steering shaft. At top speed, the Tucker will stop in 240 feet, instead of 1400 feet for conventional cars, say its engineers.

It will sell for 1800 dollars (\$250), if Preston T. Tucker is allowed to retain the huge 170,000,000 dollar Government-owned Chicago was plant, where the new car has been developed.

War Assets Administration has given the 44-year-old president of the Tucker Corporation a limited time to prove that 15,000,000 dollars (\$4,037,500) capital has been raised to complete the contract.

Tucker is having a race against time to sell 20,000,000 dollars worth of stock before the deadline.

Doncaster Town Council will spend \$2,142-odd laying out five new car-parks in various parts of the town.

## Chevrolet Plan Parts, Service Campaign

Chevrolet division of General Motors, whose annual business in parts, service and accessories totals more than \$700,000,000, is going after more of it.

It has disclosed plans for a drive among its more than 7,000 dealers and their employees to bring more Chevrolet owners into their plants for repairs and service and "incidentally to build up the selling spirit that will be needed" when the competitive market returns to new car distribution.

Spokesmen for Chevrolet, leader in production and distribution now and during most of the decade preceding the war, reported new car and truck orders currently on hand total more than 1,500,000 and that the number is mounting at a rate of from 25,000 to 35,000 every 10 days.

## Dealer Outlay

The parts and service drive, on which dealers will spend upward of \$2,000,000 during September and October, will be aimed primarily at present Chevrolet owners. The purpose, as Chevrolet executives explained, is to bring back to Chevrolet dealers and service operators as much as possible of the business currently going to outside repair shops.

These, according to company officials, now number 2 1/2 times as many as were in operation before the war.

A part of the projected outlay on the campaign will go for newspaper advertising, but the bulk of the dealer expenditure will be in the form of awards to employees who bring into their service plants new customers, defined as owners who have not had Chevrolet dealer service for 90 days or more.

## Promotional Expense

Besides the dealer outlay, Chevrolet estimated its own expense for promotional work and material will represent an additional \$250,000.

In automotive circles the drive was regarded as of more than routine significance because of the impending Chevrolet fight for first place in production and retail sales.

"Beat Chevrolet" has been the Ford slogan ever since postwar production was resumed, and Henry Ford II, president of the Ford Motor Co. has said his ambition is to recapture first place from the big General Motors division.

## U.S. Demand For British Motor Car

During 1946, when the American motor industry was at a standstill on account of strikes, the demand for imported British cars proved unusually brisk. Over 1,000 cars were exported, compared with 45 sent in 1938. The cars selling then were mostly Standard and Austin saloons.

The information now is that with the gathering speed of US car production the demand for foreign cars has not lessened but has changed. There seems to be a marked demand for the British sports car—a demand unlikely to be challenged by the American manufacturers, who are not interested in making such a car.

In March, Sir Miles Thomas revealed that for his American exports he intended to concentrate on the MG. Nuffield Exports are now implementing that policy. In August, Donald Harrison, sales promotion manager, took two MGs and a Riley to Canada and the United States for a three-month campaign.

It is hoped in the future to market these makes in the United States on a very much larger scale than before the war.

## The 'One Model' Policy



The slogan "One Model Policy" has some appearance of becoming too popular (comments the "Auto-car"). In the first flush of carelessness after the casting off of the taxation strait-jacket there appears to be a widespread illusion that the extreme of rationalisation—a single big-engine car manufactured in the largest possible numbers—is the ideal at which to aim.

Whether this is in fact so is extremely doubtful. There is room in Britain for the large car which will also sell freely overseas, but there is neither physical room nor a public desire for a car population exclusively made up of such models.

The demand of British motorists for the small car, typified by the present "Eight," has not been created solely because it was cheapest in taxation costs. It is the cheapest in a dozen other ways. Moreover, its extreme handiness, the result of its small overall size, accounts for much of its desirability in the eyes of owners. It does all that is necessary to provide pleasant motoring, and it does so at the lowest possible cost; hence its striking popularity.

Of the factors that govern the popularity of the small car not one has changed; the taxation rate has merely been lowered on bigger cars. It must not be assumed, therefore, that the rationalisation which is now both possible and imperative should eliminate the smallest models. To do so would be a great mistake.

What is desirable is to eliminate the fussy categories that lie between the smallest and the large models. There will always be a market for a vehicle which provides the benefit of car ownership at the lowest possible cost, and it is the "Auto-car" opinion that for the present the current "Eight" exactly fulfils that requirement.

## What'll The Standard "Vanguard" Cost Here?

How much will the new Standard "Vanguard" cost when it is available in Hong Kong, possibly next year?

No definite price has yet been released, though the preliminary announcement said that it would be substantially lower than that of the Standard Fourteen—present list price \$425 for the Saloon—and "not a lot more than the Eight price," which is \$305 for the Saloon.

Manufacture of the "Vanguard" is understood to be started early next year and the output for the first six months will be almost exclusively for the export market. Production of the existing Standard models—the Eight, Twelve and Fourteen—will be continued until June or July, 1948.

The Triumph—itsself a new post-war model built by Standard—will be continued throughout 1948, after which there will be a new model.

In the light of the recent taxation changes at home, Armstrong Siddeley Motors have discarded their original plans for 1948 and are to make a fresh start.

No details have yet been released, except that plans for the 2 1/2-litre (which might have replaced the present 2-litre car) have been dropped, obviously for something bigger, and the stress laid by the managing director on the need to get the price of their product within \$1,000, for obvious reasons.

It has been decided to suspend, until further notice, the granting of importing exchange permits for motorcars into Argentina. Explaining this decision, the "Central Bank" at Buenos Aires states that the exchange initially allocated to car imports amounted to \$7,400,000, while the aggregated value of permits granted to date exceeds \$7,800,000.

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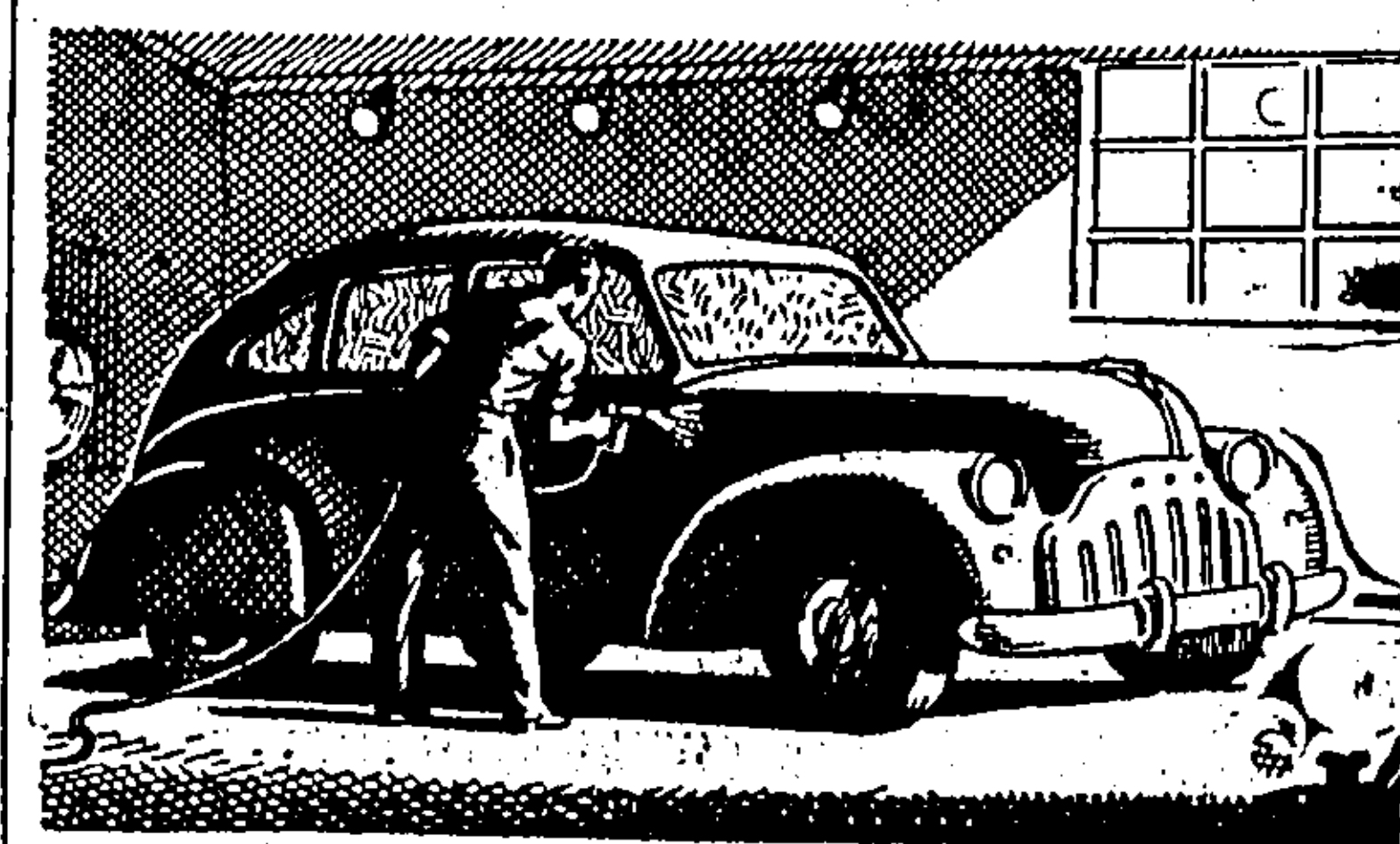
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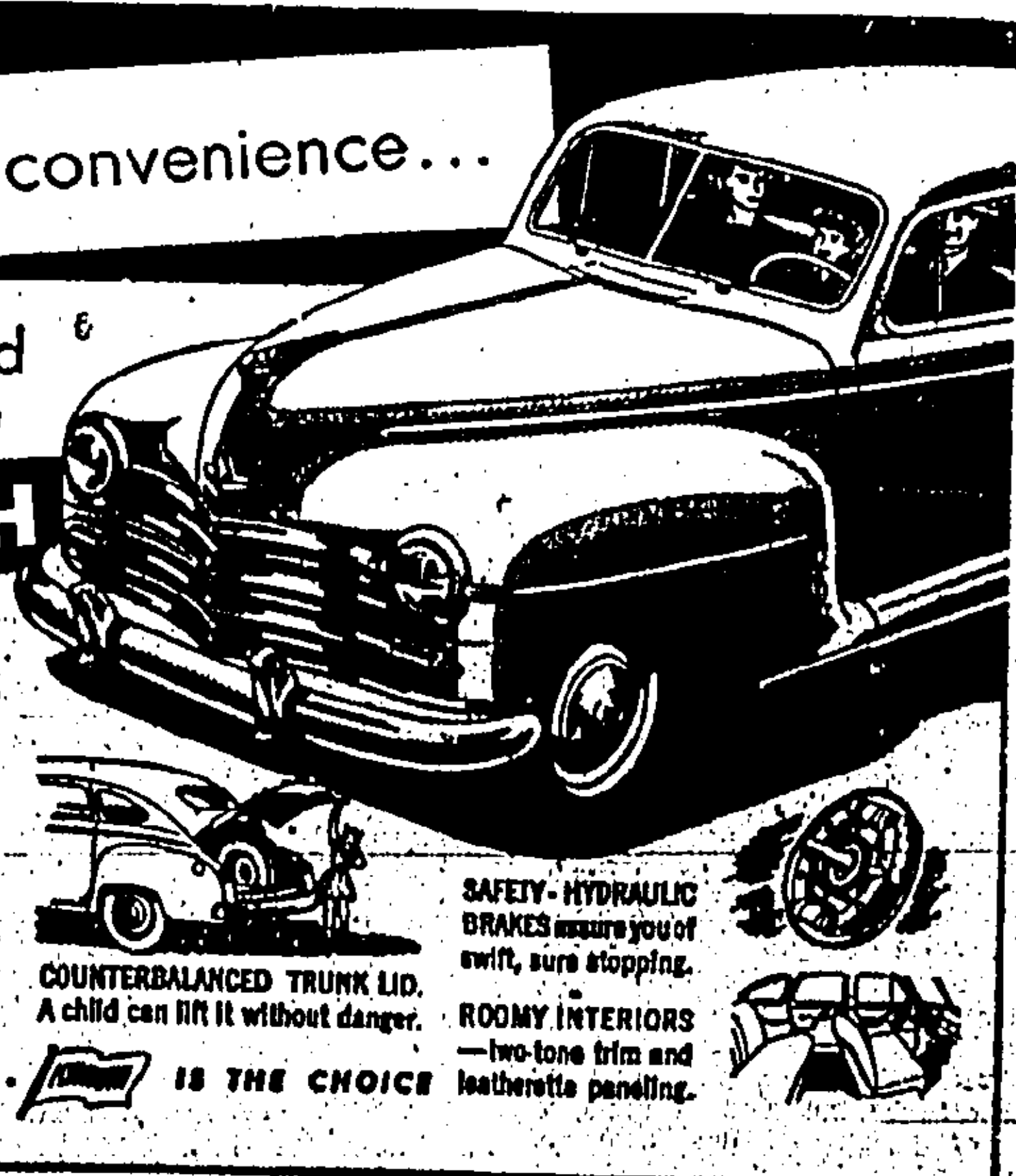
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Comes Into Being

A can begin as an idea in the mind of a designer. He gives length and breadth to it in drawings; form and substance in hand-made models of wax, wood and metal.

A conference is called, and a policy decided. The car will carry so many people. It will travel so many miles to the gallon at such and such a speed. Its engine, springing, body lines, seating, are all to be of completely new design.

The designer and the chief engineer, with fundamentals decided, begin to work out the first basic details.

Drawings are prepared and a full-sized prototype body is built in wood—in the model-

ing department behind closed doors marked Private. Admittance to authorised persons only.

The pass key to the car's eventual performance on the road is its power-weight ratio. The medium-sized family car weighs something around a ton.

To move that weight at a given speed for a given fuel consumption, to whisk the car away uphill from the traffic lights with smooth ease demands an engine of high power output.

But the more power that is expected from an engine the more rigid its cylinders and connecting rods, its crankshaft and other component parts must be.

The problem, therefore, is to provide an engine, and a chassis or framework to house it, both sturdy enough to allow of increased power output, yet not so heavy that they drag down the car's speed and acceleration.

The first few months employed in studying the new car's development are largely devoted to the adjustment of that fine balance between the available power and the necessary weight to provide a given performance. Steering and suspension geometry, the location of controls, the position of seats—all these things, too, be considered.

If the designers smooth out the car's body lines it will give a better performance for a given power output, but that streamlining brings other problems; it may mean the complete redesigning of the engine and other integral parts of the car; it may upset the distribution of weight and stress, which in turn repercussions on the general principle of design and the strength of the materials used.

A modern car has nearly 19,000 separate parts. When an entirely new model is planned, most of those parts have to be newly designed, and for each of the thousands of components there has to be a drawing, a specification, a new adjustment of machine tools—even a great many entirely new tools, dies and jigs—and finally, the most meticulous testing. Thus materials, man-hours and money are devoured at great speed.

When the first hand-made wooden prototype of a new model is finally approved, drawings are made from it and a complete new hand-made prototype, in steel, is built up, piece by piece. This is tested and retested; revised, adapted, and finally sent out for thousands of miles of the most gruelling road tests. A long-distance programme of tool and die production has to be put in hand long before this, and the risk taken that all will be well. A manufacturer has to be prepared for heavy charges if it is found at some later stage that exclusive changes in design should be necessary.

Not a single order can be given out to the factories for the manufacture of the individual parts of a new car until the prototype has passed its tests in every detail.

## Research



Consider the tireless testing and research which goes into the making of the new engine alone. The designer is told what horse-power the engine must develop. From this he calculates the cubic capacity of the cylinders needed to produce that horse-power. From that, in turn, he determines the piston speed.

Each piston will make about 60 thrusts up inside its cylinder and 60 down every second when the engine is making its maximum number of revolutions. The engine will develop its maximum brake horse-power when the gas velocity through the inlet valves is at the rate of 240 feet per second.

The modern motorcar engine has to be a very finely balanced piece of mechanism to stand up to such whirlwind movements inside itself and do its job smoothly, quietly and powerfully.

With maximum engine speed decided, the designer knows what the stresses will be on the bearings and crankshaft, so he can then fix their design, weight and strength. The big end bearings, for example, have to withstand loads equal to one ton per square inch. When he has finished these calculations he can begin to have his sectional drawings prepared—longitudinal sections, cross sections, and external views or installation drawings.

Then follows a drawing of every part, every sub-assembly in the new engine—hundreds of them—giving details of the raw material (cast iron, steel, aluminium, etc.), the machining, finish and heat treatment each one will need. Metals for various components are examined under a microscope so powerful that it makes a single human hair appear two inches thick.

For the first prototype engine every one of the 1,500 parts will be machined, finished and tested by a specialist craftsman. Valve springs, for example, are subjected to a test of 10 million reversals of load. Each part will be checked to its particular drawing before the engine is fitted together.

This prototype then goes on test—the first simple test—not under its own power, but being turned over lightly for a few hours by an electric motor. After this it is taken to pieces again. Engineers examine it for any signs of undue tightness and abnormal wear.

Assembled again, it is once more driven by the electric motor for a check on oil and water temperatures, oil pressure readings and the measure of power needed to drive it.

## Power Test



The day arrives when it is ready for test under its own power.

It is not one full-throttle test, but many hundreds of "running-in" tests at increasing speeds and loads to check fuel consumption and power output. Once again it is stripped down, examined for wear, and reassembled.

And then begin tests with variations of camshaft timing, different shaped cylinder heads and so on, to discover by which set of materials and adjustments the maximum power output, the best acceleration, the smoothest, most silent and most economical performance can be obtained.

Even now the preliminary work on the engine is not finished, for the prototype power unit has to pass its endurance test—a full-throttle run for 200 hours—the same as if it were put into a car and you drove it half-way round the world non-stop with your foot hard down on the accelerator all the way.

Again the engine is dismantled, again tested with micro-meters for even 1/10,000th of an inch of wear. Main bearings are fitted to clearances only half the thickness of a human hair.

Once more the engine is rebuilt to undergo what are called its "standard type" test. From these the exact fuel consumption, power output, thermal efficiency and every possible measurement of temperature and pressure can be recorded and set down as the standard against which all future production engines of this type must be checked and tested.



All this takes many months, perhaps even a year, from the day when the design of the new engine is first conceived.

Here one begins to realise the advantage—the safer, smoother, more trouble-free motoring—to be gained from buying the products of a big manufacturer.

A vast organisation, backed by huge resources, can afford to allow its research specialists to spend years redesigning, developing and testing perhaps one small component until it is as near to perfection as man can ever hope to make it.

Only when the prototype car has passed its tests can the orders be given for the sheet-steel body shells; to the radiator makers for the cooling system. Safety glass, electric fittings, brake installations, door handles, batteries, dynamos, carburettors, piston rings, crankshafts—all have to be ordered in their tens of thousands to completely new designs. They must all measure up to the specification of the key part in the prototype model. They in their turn must all pass the most exacting tests.

Samples of all paint, rubber and other external materials for use on Morris cars, for example, are subjected within fourteen days to the equivalent of two years of the worst possible weather by the "Weather-o-Meter," which reproduces conditions similar to the hottest summer weather and sprays on water by high-power jets.

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To check break lining efficiency, samples are held in contact with brake-drums for the equivalent of a distance of 100 miles.

In finish, hardness, and tensile strength—in every detail, every component must be identical with its original pattern. Flow-line assembly, or "mass production" calls for the finest engineering.

When the orders for raw materials, components and sub-assemblies have been given out, the works manager, the production manager, planning staffs, buyers, works engineers and foremen supervise the details of the new car's assembly.

The Morris Works at Cowley can make 2,000 cars in a week. With 19,000 separate parts in each car, that means that 2,000 of each of those 19,000 items have to be produced by a given time to allow for only one week's production. But no big motorcar manufacturer launches a completely new model on the market unless he can see a reasonable guarantee of supplies for at least one whole season's production run at full speed of assembly.

## Assembly



The work of assembling a new car, therefore, is set to a most intricate time schedule. Many thousands of people in hundreds of different trades are all concerned in the supply of various raw materials and components. Specially rolled steel sheet flows from the rolling mills and starts its journey across country to the press works where the car bodies are made; steel billets, aluminium, cast iron, brass, other raw materials and components are dispatched to the engine factory; the radiator works and the carburettor company are advised when to start on the new production; hundreds of girls begin assembling the electrical equipment; the great grimy bulk of the rubber works starts fulfilling its new order for tyre ready for dispatch to the central assembly plant.

Everything flows like water from small streams into larger tributaries and finally into one big river: the supply of even the tiniest component is help up for a few hours it is enough to stop the whole assembly line.

Raw materials, components and sub-assemblies arrive by road and rail from factories perhaps hundreds of miles away. Every consignment is inspected closely before being stored, ready for use, in its appointed place beside the main or sub-assembly lines.

Road springs and axles have to be fitted together before going by automatic conveyor to the main line; wings, radiator cowlings, wheels and a score of other parts go through degreasing baths, hot water spray, drying and enamelling processes before they, too, go on their appropriate conveyor which delivers them to the assembly line with a final glossy, rock-hard finish.

Most new cars are built on what is called the "Meno-construction" principle of design. There is no separate chassis as in the old days; the body in one complete shell with reinforced base (taking the place of the chassis) arrives at the erecting line for the addition of the engine and its other mechanical components. It has already been given its seven coats of paint and its "trim" of windscreen, roof lamp, rear blind, door stops.

As the gleaming shell-like body moves slowly along for a distance of about 150 yards, it gradually adds to itself axles, engine, transmission gear and steering from the tributary lines which feed the main assembly line.

Soon it approaches the open door and the daylight at the end of the three-quarter-mile-long factory. It rolls off the assembly line for final inspection, road test, and delivery to a dealer and finally to the patient motorist who has been waiting to drive it.

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But there is another point to bear in mind about the Nuffield Organisation. Although it is an organisation of several firms building four different makes of car—Morris, Wolseley, Riley and M.G.—as well as Morris Commercial vehicles, marine and other engines, every one of these firms in the Nuffield Organisation is encouraged to retain its complete individuality.

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## OPEN MARKET RATES IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Sept. 26.  
T.T. on New York per US\$1  
buyers 46,500, sellers 40,600;  
T.T. on London per £1  
133,500, 138,600.  
Forward rates, which are  
limited to three months, differ  
per month by not more than  
five percent.  
The appointed banks are  
allowed a margin of 500 points  
either way in the case of the  
American dollar from the  
Central Bank's rate and a  
margin of 2,000 points in the  
case of sterling—Reuter.

## N.Y. Stock Market

New York, Sept. 26.  
Stocks slipped in a final hour  
through a quiet session that at  
times approached dull calm.  
Pivotal issues led the decline  
which brought scattered losses  
ranging to around two points.  
Transfers totalled 770,000 shares.

President Truman's appeal to  
conserve food drew attention to  
the foreign economic situation  
which has been blamed for recent  
pessimism in Wall Street. Among  
loose ends were Selly Oil, Lambert,  
Armour, Columbia Gas and Elec-  
tric, Woolworth. Gainers included  
Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal,  
Long Winter, Graham Paige,  
New York, Avon, etc.

Closing stock quotations: Adams Ex-  
press 17, Alaska Juneau 45, American  
Can 63, American Smelting 50, 1/2,  
American Telephone 137, American  
Tobacco 72, American Waterworks  
15, Anaconda Copper 34 1/2, Aviation  
Corp. 4 1/2, Baldwin Locomotive 10 1/2,  
Barnhill 23, Bendis Aviation 30 1/2,  
Bethlehem Steel 60 1/2, Boeing Aircraft  
10 1/2, Borden Co. 42, Canadian Pacific  
10 1/2, Chrysler 68 1/2, Colgate 40 1/2, Com-  
stock 23 1/2, DuPont 108, Eastman 42 1/2,  
Electric Light & Power 18 1/2, General  
Electric 35 1/2, General Motors 57 1/2,  
Goodrich 34 1/2, Goodyear 44 1/2, Greer-  
hound 9 1/2, International Harvester 24 1/2,  
International Paper 51 1/2, International  
Tel. & Tel. 11 1/2, Johns Manville 42 1/2,  
Kennecott Copper 44, Montgomery Ward  
25, National Distillers 22, National Lead  
30 1/2, New York Central 14 1/2, Packard  
Motors 45, Pan American Airways 45 1/2,  
Pennsylvania RR 18 1/2, Radio Corp. 7 1/2,  
Rock Hill 13 1/2, Republic Steel 25 1/2,  
Sears Roebuck 40 1/2, Schenley 33 1/2, Sears  
Roebuck 36, Shell Oil 20, Seely Vacuum  
16, Southern Pacific 42 1/2, Standard  
Brands 28, Standard Oil of Calif. 58 1/2,  
Standard Oil of N.J. 75 1/2, Studebaker  
27, Union Carbide 35 1/2, Union Pacific 10 1/2,  
U.S. Rubber 44, U.S. Steel 68 1/2, U.S.  
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Utilities 14—Associated Press.

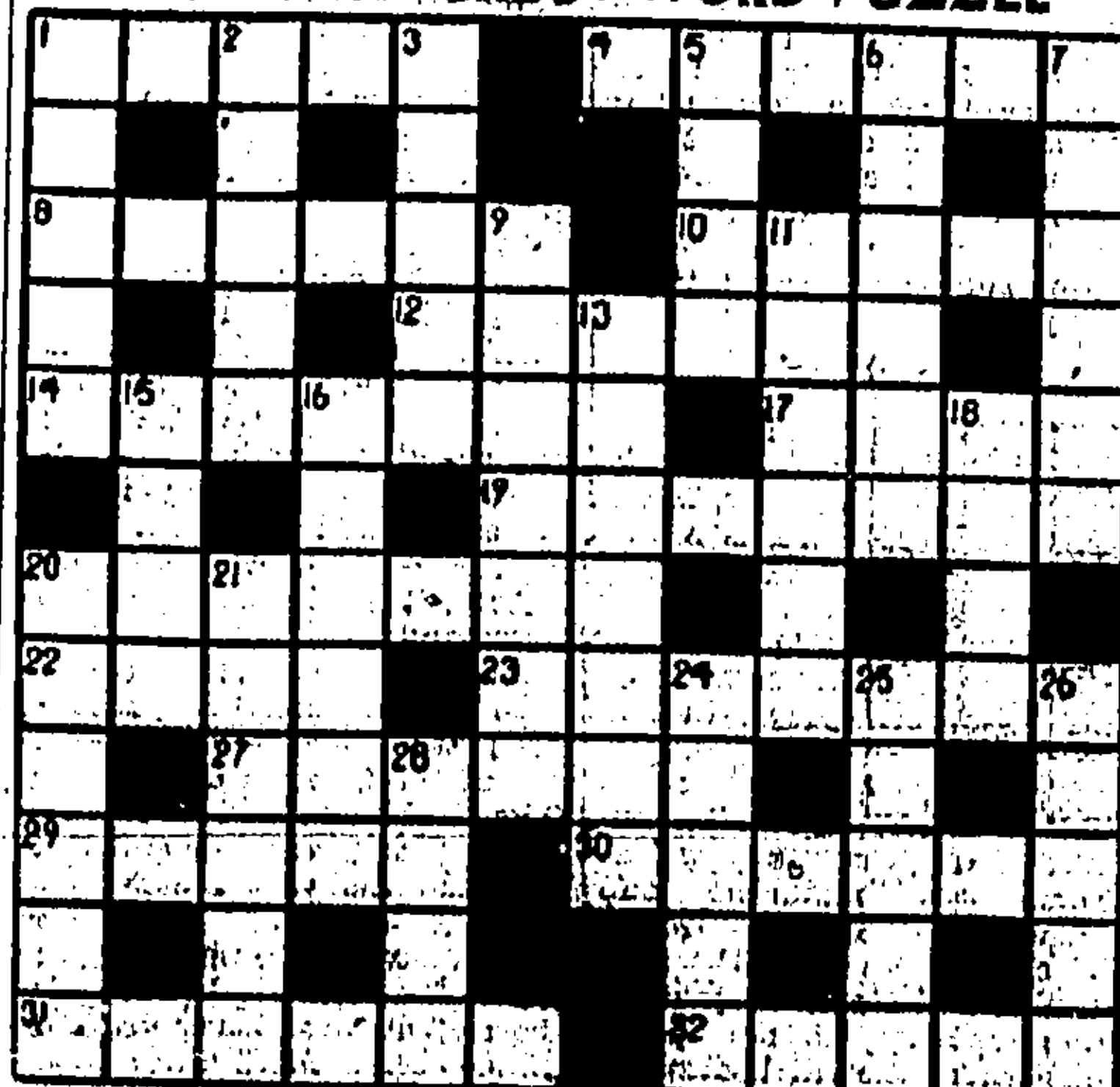
## ARGENTINE GOLD

Buenos Aires, Sept. 24.  
Sovereign, buyers 60.30, sellers  
67.00.  
U.S. \$20 Eagle, buyers 120.50,  
sellers 122.50.  
Gold, Bar, per gramme, buyers  
6.10, sellers 6.25—Reuter.

## NEW YORK SILVER

New York, Sept. 26.  
Silver, Bar (asked price) 71 1/2  
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## Clues Across

1. Inexpensive
4. Bedsteads
6. Waxed
10. Gentle
12. Vexation
14. Unhappy
17. Friend
19. Talk
20. Solitude
22. Determinate

## Clues Down

1. Snake
2. Additional
3. Solitude
5. Roll
8. Appeal
7. Long
9. Show off
11. Newspaper
13. Church
15. Screen
16. Midday
18. Dash
20. Ship's
21. Boat
22. Vegetable
23. Bury
24. Ravine
25. Before
26. Long

## Yesterday's Crossword

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## JOCKEY CLUB GETS BACK INTO ACTION Big Programme For This Afternoon

(By "Rapier")  
The keenly awaited resumption of racing will take place at the Valley this afternoon, when the Hong Kong Jockey Club will stage their Eighth Extra Race Meeting. The first saddling bell will be rung at 2-30 p.m. with the first race at 3-00 p.m. sharp.

There are seven events on the programme, the most interesting of which is the fifth race, the Autumn Plate, a handicap event over six furlongs for Australian ponies, Griffins and Subscription ponies of any season. The weather is promising and there is every reason to expect a large gathering of racing enthusiasts. The track is in splendid condition, and keen racing should be the order of the day. We have the same complement of jockeys, with the addition of Mr. B. L. Tso, who rode with some success previously and will be seen in action today.

### First Race

**Point Nelson Stakes (One Mile).** The first race of the day is confined to "D" Class Australian ponies with the following conditions: Winners of \$1,000 or more in stakes barred. Weight 12 lbs. 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes. After its second placing behind Roscoe in the Spencer Stakes (First Section) over six furlongs at the last meeting, Barge will again be ridden by Mr. Shieh, who should be made to feel that he has a very real chance of winning. The first win of his career. Punters, however, should remember that Happy Season (Mr. B. L. Tso) (which beat Barge) is also in the race. Happy Season is a better horse than Barge and is a distance more to the liking and if it does not average his last defeat will at least give Barge a great fight. Sunny (Mr. H. H. Tse) and Lola Sap (Mr. Mui) may have something to say with regard to the third position, but I don't think they can win.

### Second Race

**Gosford Handicap (First Section): Six Furlongs.** This is the first section of the race for "C" Class Australian ponies, and over this short distance the best thing to do is to look for sprinters. Esmeralda, which will be taken out by Mr. Black this afternoon for the first time, has been knocking at the door of success for some time, and I think its chances of winning are bright. It is coming second to Wilhelmmina with Mr. Yuen up in the Bondi Stakes (First Section) at the last meeting and, provided Mr. Black can get off to a good start, it may win. Tootsie (Mr. Yuen) is the next one to be considered in view of its win at Whitson Meeting (First Day), which it carried off the Harbair Handicap (Second Section) over half a mile. Peggy (Mr. B. L. Tso) is fighting fit at the moment and is quite capable of beating the above two ponies if its jockey takes up the pace and runs the very smart Flying Wheel (Mr. K. F. Chiu) on account of the low weight it will be carrying (138 lbs.) is a decided menace. Crown Witness (Mr. Gregory) is a fast mover and can be expected to make a fight of it up to the end.

### Third Race

**Vauchue Handicap (First Section): One Mile.** This race, confined to first section "B" Class Australian ponies, should provide an interesting duel for honours, in which I expect to see Wilhelmmina (Mr. Ostroff), Thunderbolt (Mr. Shieh), V-J Day (Mr. Tso), Royal Commission (Mr. K. F. Chiu) and Argentine Moop (Mr. S. W. Tang). In the Bondi Stakes (First Section), over the two mile post at the last meeting, Wilhelmmina won with plenty to spare and has accordingly been promoted to "B" Class. In view of its fitness at the moment, I don't think the additional 5 lbs. it has to carry since its last win will hinder its chance of winning, but it is running against a better class of ponies. The question to be asked, therefore, is whether it can beat these "B" Class stalwarts? Somehow, I have a feeling that Wilhelmmina can win, but both Thunderbolt and V-J Day are strong contenders and they have done well before over this distance. Royal Commission and Argentine Moop are down to 145 lbs. and 138 lbs. respectively and may quite conceivably cause an upset.

### Fourth Race

**Port Phillip Stakes (Six Furlongs).** This race is confined to Australian ponies, "D" Class and unclassified Subscription ponies of any season. It is the best race of the afternoon, with a weight of 125 lbs. and a penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes. The first win of his career. Punters, however, should remember that Happy Season (Mr. B. L. Tso) (which beat Barge) is also in the race. Happy Season is a better horse than Barge and is a distance more to the liking and if it does not average his last defeat will at least give Barge a great fight. Sunny (Mr. H. H. Tse) and Lola Sap (Mr. Mui) may have something to say with regard to the third position, but I don't think they can win.

## Tips For Today

(By "Rapier")

- First Race: Happy Season.
- Second Race: Esmeralda.
- Third Race: Wilhelmmina.
- Fourth Race: Happy Season.
- Fifth Race: Happy Season.
- Sixth Race: Happy Season.
- Seventh Race: Happy Season.

## Yacht Club's Chances Good, Finances Poor

At a meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, held yesterday at the Clubhouse on Kellett Island, Commodore, Mr. N.V.A. Croucher reported that sailing had been "exceptionally good" during the past year, but that never before in the history of the club had the "financial situation been so serious."

"As you will see from the Sailing Committee report, dinghies and Stars have been very popular and our thanks are due to the Royal Navy for making these craft available to civilians. "A most encouraging feature is the emergence of the Jubilee Class, the first four boats of which have recently been completed. We hope to see these racing at the opening regatta which is to be held the weekend after next.

### "Cruiser Race"

"The first cruiser race since the war will be organized at the Opening Regatta and although our fleet will be a greatly depleted one, it is an extremely encouraging feature that it is now possible to revive the grand sport of cruiser racing.

"In rowing, too, we have hopes of a more successful season next year thanks to the generosity of the Canton Rowing Club which has loaned us two fours, two pairs and two sculls. "Although the two prospects for our major activities are encouraging, I regret to report that our financial position is still very serious. The General Committee has accepted his resignation with great reluctance. Votes of thanks were passed by the Committee to Mr. T. F. Hynes, Sailing Secretary, who alone made it possible for us to get the best of dinghies and Stars. "Mr. B. R. Wheeler, who has been in the club for the last year and has been a most valuable member, has been asked to resign. The General Committee has accepted his resignation with great reluctance. Votes of thanks were passed by the Committee to Mr. T. F. Hynes, Sailing Secretary, who alone made it possible for us to get the best of dinghies and Stars. "Mr. B. R. Wheeler, who has been in the club for the last year and has been a most valuable member, has been asked to resign. The General Committee has accepted his resignation with great reluctance. Votes of thanks were passed by the Committee to Mr. T. F. Hynes, Sailing Secretary, who alone made it possible for us to get the best of dinghies and Stars.

## Swimming Comes Back With A Burst

(By "Natator")  
With the end of the Swimming season fast approaching, we find ourselves suddenly projected into Championship Week, as the Victoria Recreation Club stage their first post-war Annual Colony Swimming Championships in their Pool — the traditional venue of the Annual Classic.

The contest which will feature the cream of the local talent will be spread over four days, starting this evening at 9-30 p.m. and continuing on next Tuesday and Thursday at 6-00 p.m. with Prestatation Night on Saturday at 9-30 p.m.

At one time it was thought that local competitive swimming would be seriously affected with the closure of the beaches at North Point, where several Chinese Clubs had their headquarters, but thanks mainly to the V.R.C. who have been 'at home' to every Chinese team this season, interest in aquatics has been received, and judging from crowds that have filled the stands on many a Saturday night, there can be no doubt as to its popularity.

The Committee have taken great pains in arranging the programme to suit as many competitors as possible, even going as far as to accommodate several swimmers from Lai Tsun who were recently unable to return to the Colony in time for the heats. In the Diving Championships, special arrangements have been made which will enable the average swimmer of each particular dive to be announced almost immediately after its execution.

Although only one record was lowered in the events for which elimination trials were held, very good times have been returned, and I shall not be surprised if further records are established in the forthcoming Finals, when the competitors will be fully extended. The best effort in the heats was made by George Saunders who repeated a mid-season inter-club gala performance of slicing off a fifth of a second in the 50 yards dash, from the record set by Ng Nin in 1946, also in the heats of that year.

### Seventh Race

**Gosford Handicap (Second Section): Six Furlongs.** The second lot of "C" Class Australian ponies will form the opposition in the final event of the day over this sprint race and, from the entries, it appears that Golden Wheel (Mr. S. L. Yuen) should have a good chance of winning if it succeeds in getting off quickly on the rise of the barrier. Otherwise I look to Honeybelle (Mr. Mui) as the likely winner. I would like my readers to recall that in the Westons Stakes at the last meeting from the two mile post once round and in, which was won by Cassie, Honeybelle led right up to the last quarter when it was passed by Cassie and then lost by a length. Kookaburra (Mr. Boycott) and Burgomaster (Mr. B. L. Tso) have been improving in their morning gallops, and may do well here, if not actually winning. Blue Peter (Mr. Casual) does not seem to be its usual self, but should it reveal its old form again will prove quite dangerous.

### Clubmaster

"I cannot let this occasion go by without referring to the retirement of Mr. H. H. Tse, who has been Clubmaster for over 38 years. The General Committee accepted his resignation with great reluctance. Votes of thanks were passed by the Committee to Mr. T. F. Hynes, Sailing Secretary, who alone made it possible for us to get the best of dinghies and Stars. "Mr. B. R. Wheeler, who has been in the club for the last year and has been a most valuable member, has been asked to resign. The General Committee has accepted his resignation with great reluctance. Votes of thanks were passed by the Committee to Mr. T. F. Hynes, Sailing Secretary, who alone made it possible for us to get the best of dinghies and Stars.

### Election

Officers Elected the coming year are: Commodore, Mr. N.V.A. Croucher; Vice-Commodore, Mr. C. L. Robertson, RN.; Rear-Commodore, Mr. P.O.M. Sedgwick; Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. S. Coote; Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. F. L. Haymes; Sailing Committee: Mr. T. F. Hynes, RN.; Capt. D. A. C. T. Hancock, RN.; Mr. P. D. A. Chidell; Mr. R. S. Howman-Neek; Mr. F. C. Manning; Capt. J. Krogh-Mob; Mr. A. Reid; Lt. Cmdr. Gedhart RN; Lt. Cmdr. Bromley-Martin; RN; Lt. Cmdr. Ayler, RN.

### Roying Committee

Mr. K. B. Nelson; Mr. J. C. McDougall; Mr. Segard; Mr. F. L. Land; Mr. W. K. Corbett; Mr. R. Corbett; Mr. B. Rasmussen; and Sung. Lt. Cmdr. Barrett, RN; and Mr. A. G. Daniel. Honorary Committee: Mr. N. J. Booker; Mr. F. Harris; Mr. H. G. Browne; Capt. Ingram; Mr. R. H. Martyn; and Mr. J. P. Rush. Club Transport: Mr. W. F. Webb. Ladies Committee: Mr. T. F. Hynes; Mr. P. O. M. Sedgwick; Mr. C. G. Blake; Mr. B. W. Rasmussen; and Mr. J. P. Rush.

## PREVENTIVE SERVICE HEAD DISCUSSES H.K. SMUGGLING

A talk on smuggling given by Mr. Eric Himsforth, chief of Hong Kong's Preventive Service, highlighted yesterday's second weekly tea reception at the Gloucester Hotel Dining Room, held under the sponsorship of the Anglo-Chinese Economic Association. Mr. Himsforth clarified Hong Kong's position, which has often been criticised as a base for smuggling both into and out of China.

Mr. Himsforth said in part: "Real smuggling is actually forces different from the delight of getting away without being caught. The greatest incentive is a high tariff, for this implies that there will be more than a reasonable margin of profit if these tariffs can be by-passed. A total prohibition of an article either by way of import or export will also foster smuggling.

"A new feature has been added since the conclusion of the war, for exchange rates now play a more prominent part in the direction and volume of trade. If, therefore, a country maintains an artificial rate of exchange which is wholly out of alignment with its real value, there will be attempts to circumvent exchange controls which usually involve the circumvention of the normal channels through which goods purchased with exchange ought to pass. The factor which all these types of smuggling have in common is that all can, if successful, produce large profits, and it is this profit motive which, in the last resort, stimulates and is responsible for smuggling.

"Today smuggled commodities follow the ordinary routes of trade. In this Colony there is far more contraband picked up on ships coming directly into the harbour, on the planes which land at Kai Tak, on the border road and on the railway than is ever discovered on the little frequented parts of the Colony. "It comes in described as something else with the hope that the customs officials won't open that particular case, or if they do they won't examine the whole of it.

### "Cruder"

"The cruder method, but one which is not unknown in this part of the world, is to bribe the appropriate official to let it through. "Few men in their right minds would deny that no smuggling with neighbouring countries originates in Hong Kong. Where the misconception lies is in the belief that the Colony lives by smuggling alone, and secondly in the extent to which smuggling is practised in this Colony. "To listen to some of our critics who ought to be and probably do know better, one would think that we were a desperate bunch of cut-throats with no ulterior object in life than to frustrate the customs controls of other nations, to wait fat on the misfortunes of those less able to help themselves and in the long run to ruin the economy of lands, which, but for our geographical existence, would be better off.

### Inference

"The indisputable inference is, of course, that the presence of these contraband commodities in the shops of neighbouring cities, is not seriously objected to, and the obvious conclusion is that only a half-hearted attempt is being made to keep them out. "In point of fact large scale smuggling implies that there is an organisation working at both ends. It would be absurd to economic to load contraband in Hong Kong if there was not a reasonable prospect of getting it through at the other end. Organised smugglers take risks like all business men, but they rarely take foolish risks.

"Perhaps the strongest reason for the decline of Hong Kong as a smuggling base has been due to the ease with which goods can be smuggled direct from the country of manufacture on to the markets where they will ultimately be sold. It is not worth the extra expense of bringing them to Hong Kong plus the risks which might be involved in transshipping them here as unmanifested cargo. "The best and most lucrative markets for contraband goods in the Far East do not lie in the hinterland of Hong Kong and there is little point in devoting time to straight voyage if for a small extra payment in the right quarters it can be avoided. "Hong Kong has been, nevertheless, a very important base for smuggling in the past, and it is not surprising that it should have been so.

### K.B.G.C. BOWLS

The following will play in an official Lawn Bowls practice match at the K.B.G.C. on Monday, at 3-30 p.m. L.R. Whant, I. Newton, J.F. McGowan and A.J. Hall. E.P. Pope, S. Redden, L.G. Coombes and S. Randle. R.P. Phillips, H.F. Shields, R. Morrison and J. McKelvie. J.C. Greenwood, K.C. Hamilton, J.C. Meyer and J.C. Aitken. J.S. Dimen, H. Nish, F.A. Chapman and L. Guy. V.C. Dixon, H.A. Lammer, V.C. Simpson and J.W.M. Dickson. All members of the Kowloon District Club interested in bowls are requested to turn up on Sunday at 4 p.m. K.B.G.C. grounds. A refreshment will be served from 4-5 p.m.

### Baseball

New York, Sept. 26. Baseball scores: American League: Cleveland 8, St. Louis 0. Winning pitcher Jack Kramer. National League: New York 3, Boston 1. Winning pitcher Jansen. St. Louis (at) 10, Pittsburgh 2. Winning pitcher Murray Dickson. St. Louis (and) 1, Pittsburgh 0. Winning pitcher Staley. Brooklyn 7, Philadelphia 0. Winning pitcher Groat.

## Soccer Play Begins

The local Soccer Season starts today, when no less than seven First Division matches will be played over the weekend.

The best game this afternoon will be between the two newly promoted teams, Kowloon Motor Bus and Kit Chee at Boundary Street.

The encounter between a weak South China side and Inala-killing should also be worth watching. The strengths of the various Junior teams are not known, but close games should be witnessed between Land Forces and W. D. Chinese and South China versus The Dockyard.

The following is the soccer programme for the week:—

### To-day

- K. Motor Bus v Kitchee (Police, 5 p.m.)
- Club v Police (Club, 6 p.m.)
- 25th R.A. v Royal Navy (Sookumpoo, 5 p.m.)
- S. China v Inlaks (Navy, 5 p.m.)
- Second Division "A": K. Motor Bus v Police (Police, 3-30 p.m.)
- H.Q. Land Forces v W.D. Chinese (H. Valley, 3-30 p.m.)
- R.A.O.C. v Royal Navy (Navy, 3-30 p.m.)
- S. China v H.M. Dockyard (Cai. Hill, 3-30 p.m.)
- Second Division "B": 983 R.A.S.C. v Club (Club, 3-30 p.m.)
- Electric v Signals (H. Valley, 5 p.m.)
- R.E.M.E. v Chinese Ath. (Sookumpoo, 3-30 p.m.)

The following will represent Dockyard Football team in their second division match against South China today at Caroline Hill:— Hannaford; Harvey and Benfield; Steward, Penman and Baker; MacHugh, Blake, Trout, Turner and Perry.

goods, provided they are confined of the reasonableness of such restrictions and the equity of their administration. "If these basic factors are absent then the best Preventive Service in the world will not stop smuggling.

"In the long run, however, only the removal of trading restrictions and high tariffs can bring the complete elimination of smuggling. "We can only hope that the nations among which we live will come to realise that the loss of revenue, the shrinkage of trade with the attendant lower standards of living, the creation of organised opposition to and contempt for laws imposed, can reach a point where they far outweigh the advantages which are sought.

### Solution

"The solution to smuggling lies in the creation of a high sense of civic morality among the common people, who will only conform to restrictive measures which may have to be imposed on the movement of commercial goods.

## U.K. DOES WELL IN RYDER CUP GOLF

St. Anne's, England, Sept. 26. Henry Cotton, Fred Daly, Charley Ward and the Belgian Florv van Donck today fought their way into the semi-finals of the British match play golf championship, thereby clinching backhandedly the position on Britain's Ryder Cup team for Max Faulkner who did not qualify for the \$10,000 tourney.

The last Ryder spot was reserved for the match play champion, provided he was not previously named to the team for a foreigner.

The only remaining candidates for this spot were eliminated when Ward defeated Daly, Burton and one who had been eliminated. Ward's victory in the morning quarter final, a daily defeated Ryder cupper, the Belgian van Donck, the biggest upset of the tourney, by eliminating the Welshman, Dal Reep, three and two. "Daly meets Cotton and van Donck meet Ward in the afternoon's semi-finals. United Press.